

Bernstorff And Lansing Confer

French Gain 2 Miles In New Stroke At Verdun

GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PEACE PROPOSITION HELD BY DIPLOMATS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, conferred with Secretary Lansing today, seeking information of the attitude of the United States toward the peace proposals of the Central Powers to discuss the general subject of peace from this government's viewpoint and to give any information Mr. Lansing might desire on the attitude of the German government.

Ambassador Bernstorff said, after a 10-minute visit with Secretary Lansing:

"We did not discuss peace terms in any way. I have not received any formal terms and the American government knows officially that no formal terms have been proposed. All Germany has suggested is that the belligerents get together and talk. If that proposal is accepted definite terms naturally will be discussed, but till then it will not be proper to mention them. My visit to the secretary was purely for general discussion."

Harvard Professor Dies While Lecturing Class

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 16.—Hugo Munsterberg, distinguished psychologist, author and professor of psychology and director of the psychological laboratory of the Harvard University, died suddenly in a class room at Radcliffe College today.

Professor Munsterberg had begun a lecture on elementary psychology before 60 young women. He had talked for about a half hour when he stretched his hand toward the desk as though to steady himself. Before anyone could reach him he had fallen and was unconscious when Dr. Harold R. Burr, an instructor, sprang to his side. Death came in 20 minutes. Class sessions at Radcliffe College were suspended for the day.

Professor Munsterberg had appeared to be in his usual health. Well known in educational circles for many years, Professor Munsterberg became prominent publicly soon after the great war began. A German by birth, he presented in addresses and in written articles the attitude of the Teutonic allies as he understood it. Gradually he came to be regarded as a spokesman in New England for many Germans and others who favored Germany. As a result he was brought into controversies with other members of the Harvard faculty who were outspoken in the defense of the allies.

Professor Munsterberg leaves a widow and a daughter.

For 20 years, Professor Munsterberg had written extensively on philosophical, psychological and scientific subjects. One of the best known works was "The American." He was twice decorated by the German emperor, first with the Red Eagle of the Third Class, and after taking up his work at Harvard, with the Crown Order of the Second Class.



The Young Lady Across the Way



Workmen Idle Because Of Gas Shortage

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Fifteen thousand workmen are idle here today as a result of a serious shortage of natural gas which has forced almost every factory and mill in the Wheeling district dependent upon gas for fuel to close. The shortage is said to be due to the severe winter weather here.

Large glass factories at Bellaire, Ohio, Moundsville and Wheeling are operating only a few departments. Thus far there has been no shortage of gas to domestic consumers.

ONE BELOW IN COLUMBUS

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—The thermometer registered one degree below here last night. Weather predictions for today and Sunday held out hope of relief, however.

Commoner Approves Evangelist's Dramatic Gestures; Says Actions Are Justified

WM. J. BRYAN INDORSES BILLY SUNDAY'S SLANG

Claims Critics Are Too Severe; Likes Sermon On "Chickens Come Home To Roost"

(Billy Sunday is holding the most successful revival meeting of his career in Boston. So great is the interest that William J. Bryan was persuaded to go to Boston to attend some of the meetings and write his impressions of Sunday and his methods. This is the first of two articles written by Mr. Bryan. The second will appear in an early issue.)

(BY WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN)
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BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Billy Sunday's critics are quite unanimous in condemning his methods as dramatic and his language as undignified.

As to the correctness of the first charge there is no doubt. He is dramatic. No other evangelist has approached him in the completeness with which he "suits the action to the word."

He needs a whole stage—and a large one, too. No "pent up Utica" will suffice him for a platform, and it needs to be as big up and down as from side to side. He not only paces from end of the platform to the other, but he often climbs on top of the pulpit, and sometimes he lies down on the floor. He tries to keep within reach-

ing distance of his rising climaxes, and when he is looking into the abode of Satan he gets as close to the lower regions as the platform will permit.

But why should his dramatic manner be counted as a fault? What are gestures for if not to emphasize a point? And who is in position to set bounds to the gesture? It may not be scholarly to gesture violently. If so, those who are more anxious to be scholarly than to be effective will avoid anything that seems too emotional.

But Mr. Sunday is not dealing with the head alone; he often addresses himself to the mind, and the scholar will find many splendid pieces of literature in his sermons; but his aim is to reach the heart, for "out of the heart are the issues of life." He is justified in swinging his arms, his legs or his whole body, if by so doing he can drive home the appeal which he is making—and does he not do this very thing?

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MAY SETTLE THE RAILROAD CONTROVERSY OUT OF COURT

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, who was chairman of the committee of railroad executives which met President Wilson and brotherhood officials in Washington last summer when a railroad strike was threatened, confirmed the report today that informal conferences had been held by railroad representatives with brotherhood officials concerning a settlement out of court of the controversy between the railroads and the employees.

W.G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, also announced at Evansville, Ind. last night that negotiations are under way between leaders of the four brotherhoods and operating officials of several railroads looking to settlement of the entire controversy before January 1, when the Adams law is to go into effect. Both Mr. Lee and Mr. Holden said, however, that the discussion had not progressed far enough even to suggest a basis for a permanent settlement.

WEATHER PREDICTIONS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Forecasts for the week beginning Sunday, announced by the weather bureau today, include:

Ohio Valley: Fair during the next several days, except snows will occur Sunday in upper Ohio Valley. Snow or rain is also probable about Thursday. Temperatures below seasonal normal first part of week. Warmer about Wednesday and colder at end of week.

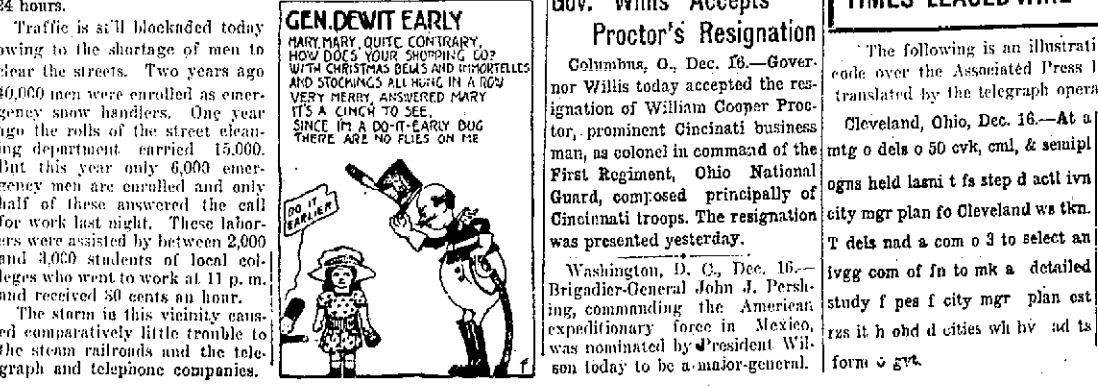
Great Lakes Region: Overcast weather with occasional snows. Temperatures below seasonal normal, although somewhat warmer weather is probable during middle of week.

FOOT OF SNOW IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 16.—The first real snowstorm of the winter will cost New York city about \$500,000. A foot of snow fell yesterday between 5 a. m. and 7 p. m. and the street cleaning department will be busy two or three days carting it away. The fall was the greatest here in any day since Dec. 26-27, 1890, when 14 inches fell in 24 hours.

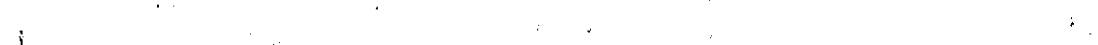
Traffic is still blocked today owing to the shortage of men to clear the streets. Two years ago 40,000 men were enrolled as emergency snow handlers. One year ago the rolls of the street cleaning department carried 15,000. But this year only 6,000 emergency men are enrolled and only half of these answered the call for work last night. These laborers were assisted by between 2,000 and 3,000 students of local colleges who went to work at 11 p. m. and received 50 cents an hour.

The storm in this vicinity caused comparatively little trouble to the steam railroads and the telegraph and telephone companies.



GEN. DEWIT EARLY

MARY MARY, QUITE CONTRARY, HOW DOES YOUR SHOPPING GO? WITH CHRISTMAS BEANS AND PEPPERCORNS AND STOCKINGS ALL AROUND IN A VERY HURRY, ANSWERED MARY IT'S A CUP OF TEA. SINCE I'M A DO-IT-YOURSELF DUG THERE ARE NO FLIES ON ME.



3,200 Autos Are Stolen In Chicago This Year

General Neville's Thrust Made On Six Mile Front

(The following review of the day's events in the European war is compiled by experts in the Associated Press office in New York from despatches and information received through various reliable sources at their command.)

New York, Dec. 16.—Momentarily, the western front is again the center of attention with the French victory at Verdun occupying the chief place in the war news.

General Nivelle's stroke has brought the French back, according to their reports, nearly to the line they occupied when the Germans began their great drive for Verdun last February. Today's dispatches report that the German crown prince's troops lost nearly 8,000 men in prisoners and 80 guns during the French advance, which was effected to a depth of approximately two miles along a six-mile front.

In their operations in Rumania, the Teutonic forces have won further successes, scoring new advances in the Buzau region. The text of the German official statement is somewhat ambiguous, but apparently means that a crossing of the Buzau river near the southern Moldavian border which the Russo-Rumanian army was fighting desperately to hold, has been forced by Field-Marshal Von Mackensen. The capture of 2,000 additional prisoners is announced.

Paris, Dec. 16.—As his last act before assuming the chief command of the French armies on the western front, Gen. Nivelle yesterday smashed the German line east of the Meuse along a front of six miles. The victory has advanced the French position two miles and they now are within a short distance of where the Germans stood at the outset of the great Verdun drive. The military authorities describe the victory as complete and crushing and carried out without a hitch.

Developments over night were constrained by the trade generally as indicating that peace was still a long way off and there was a consequent widespread rush to buy. In a few moments, some transactions showed a rise of ten cents a bushel. After a maximum of 10 1/2 cents sellers were somewhat bolder and a reaction set in. It was more than half an hour before comparative steadiness was established at a range of five to seven cents up from yesterday's latest figures. May wheat at the top of the bulge touched \$1.64 1/2, which occasions the previous close was \$1.55 1/2.

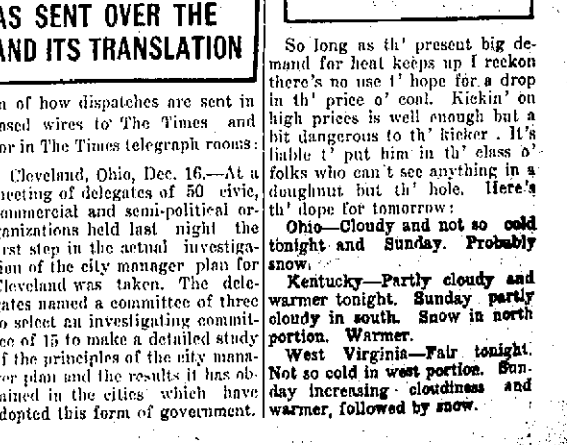
Increasing discouragement as to peace was evinced later owing to more definite reports from Washington adverse to a probability that any formal negotiations were in immediate prospect. The market closed unsettled at net gains of 4 3/4 to nine cents, with May at \$1.62 5/8 to \$1.63, and July at \$1.37 to \$1.37 1/4.

The proponents of the plan are publishers of small dailies in the states of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Want To Standardize Price Of Print Paper


New York, Dec. 16.—A plan designed to standardize the price of news print paper so that it shall be within reach of the small as well as the large newspaper publishers was presented to the three members of the federal trade commission who came here today to confer with half a hundred representatives of the paper manufacturing industry. The plan proposes that an investigation of the paper making industry be undertaken by the commission and after the cost of production is ascertained to have the commission fix a flat, standard price of the product at the mill.

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Billy Butch

Times Weather Man



A DISPATCH IN CODE AS SENT OVER THE TIMES' LEASED WIRE—AND ITS TRANSLATION

We remarked to the young lady across the way that we judged from what she said that her friend was something of a devotee in football and she said "No he wasn't anything but a substitute so far."

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TUESDAY'S PARAMOUNT FEATURE
Daniel Frohman presents the beautiful

ANN PENNINGTON

In a fascinating circus romance

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If you saw Ann Pennington in "Susie Snowflake" you know her wonderfully clever she is. She's another Marguerite Clark. Don't miss her.



COUNTY NEWS

The Valley Township Farmers' Institute will be held in the Lucasville high school Monday and Tuesday. The Institute will open Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Address of Welcome will be given by Prof. Robert Meeks, superintendent of the high school. Dr. J. N. Thomas, of Lucasville, is also on the morning program. The State Institute workers are Mrs. Florence Willison, J. P. Gordon and James A. Spear. Raymond Violet is president and E. C. Moulton secretary of the Institute. At the Monday afternoon session Attorney Arthur Bannon will lead the discussion of a talk on "The Business Side of Farming," to be given by Mr. Gordon.

Adam Knapp, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Knapp of Near Powellsville, is recovering from an operation he underwent several weeks ago for appendicitis. Young Knapp is able to sit up a little each day.

The Portsmouth Construction company has a full force of men at work on the new \$28,000 school building being erected in South Webster.

Mrs. Walter Woten, of Suffolk, Montana, is visiting relatives and friends at Slocum Station.

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The Scioto Farmers' Institute will open Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock. J. W. Nicodemus will be the two day State Institute speaker. Mrs. Florence Willison and James A. Spear will be the one day State Institute speakers. F. H. Bennett, Scioto, is president, and G. C. Bennett of Lucasville, is secretary of the Institute.



J. W. NICODEMUS, Van Wert County.

FARMER, BREEDER, SPEAKER,
PRACTICAL EXPERIMENTER

Will Discuss Problems in Building Up
a Run-Down Farm.

J. W. Nicodemus of Van Wert county, who will speak at the local farmers' institute, is engaged in a big problem. "We have recently come into possession of land on which there has been no practical or established system of farming for at least 25 years," he says. "It has been drained of organic matter. We are short of manure and will be. Eleven acres has been reserved for experimental work, on which no manure will be applied. Can we build up this land without manure is the burning question. It puts color into our work that was never there before."

"Our time until recently," says Mr. Nicodemus, "has been spent in feeding and breeding live stock, never devoting in the least from this occupation. We have succeeded in developing a large number of animals, and the business, besides making the farm high in fertility, has given us experience in selecting, breeding and feeding live stock that can come to men in no other way."

Mr. Nicodemus' list of topics includes lectures on various phases of the live stock industry, soil fertility, rural economic problems, and home conveniences.

The W. J. Gullum company of this city is installing the heating system in the new \$12,000 school building being erected in Otway. The plasterers have completed their work and the building, erected by the Portsmouth Construction company, will soon be ready for occupancy.

Louis Lang, a member of Concord Grange, Wheelersburg, who lives on Dogwood Ridge, represented the Scioto County Granges, or Pomona Grange, at the State Grange meeting held in Dayton, O., this week. Over 2,000 grangers were present at the state meeting. The 1917 state meeting will be held in Dayton, O.

Calendars Distributed
John F. Flannigan, well known Market street coal dealer and transfer man, began distributing some unusually fine art calendars among his friends and patrons Saturday.

Here On Visit.
Mrs. W. H. De Lave, of Parkersburg, W. Va., is a guest at the Norton hotel, having come for a visit to her husband who is with the Pittsburgh Construction Company's force at the Whitaker-Glessner Company plant.

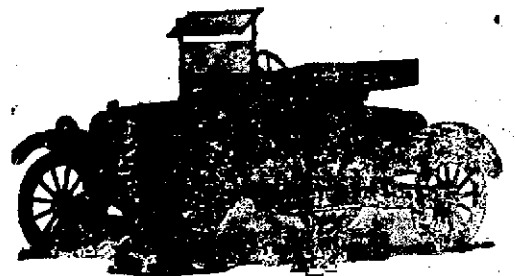
Working On Sewer
The A. E. Miller Construction Company is now crossing Oakland avenue with its new Hill Top sanitary sewer work, having now passed the most treacherous ground to be encountered along the whole line.

Other public work is at a standstill on account of the cold weather. The curb and gutter had been installed on Dexter avenue and the dress grading finished when the work on that street was suspended. The Kendall avenue and Linden avenue improvements are both completed.

Marriage Licenses
Shelby McManes, 29, farmer, Lucasville to Ida Devers, 18, Lucasville, Squire A. J. Finney.
Dennie Landreth, 27, steelworker, to Emma Morefield, 19, Squire A. J. Finney.

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It is a good idea if the prospective purchaser not only study the car he intends buying, but also ascertain the policy and ideas of the makers.

Model Four Nine-ty Touring car or roadster \$490; with all-weather top, \$560. All prices f. o. b. Flint, Mich.

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SCIOTO COUNTY HAS HUGE SUM TO SPEND ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

Scioto county has succeeded in getting \$15,000 of the main market road money for the coming year, J. J. Harper, county engineer, stated Saturday. This amount is as large as any that has been allowed so far.

The appropriation was secured Friday at a conference of a delegation of local business men and county officials and State Highway Commissioner Clinton Cowan, which was held at Columbus. Senator W. D. Tremper, Mark W. Salby and Jno. C. Bauer, representing the Board of Trade, and Commissioners Thomas W. Watkins and George H. Hill and County Engineer John J. Harper made the trip.

In all the county has about \$47,000 of state money to be used on permanent road improvement during the coming year. To this, the county will add a similar sum, making in all \$94,000.

Mr. Harper stated Saturday that the county has \$7000 of maintenance of highway money on hand from the past year; \$3,500 of inter-county money and that they would get about \$17,500 for inter-county roads for 1917. Then in July a new appropriation will be allowed, making a total of about \$47,000.

The local delegation were highly pleased with the amount which they succeeded in getting for Scioto county.

Workmen Are Shopping

Because of the zero weather only a small force was kept at work on the government dam below the city Saturday and most of the laborers are taking the opportunity to come to Portsmouth to do their Christmas shopping.

What's This, Bleachers Seats May Be Thing Of Past At Games

New York, Dec. 16.—Permanent abolition of the bleacher seats, the 25-cent seat, is foreseen in the action of the National League favoring a reduction of the seats in this popular section of the baseball grandstand to a "minimum." In the New York and Brooklyn stands the 25-cent seats have already been reduced to a small number. In cities like Philadelphia, St. Louis and Cincinnati, where there are more than 5,000 of the cheaper seats, the price for the majority of these seats next season will be raised to 50 cents, it is stated, and several of the club owners assert that in another year the 25-cent seats will be abolished.

Prior to the adjournment yesterday, the magnates of the National league recommended unanimously a retrenchment in players' salaries. The salary list of more than one of the National league clubs last season exceeded \$100,000 and the probable reduction may be estimated by the statement of one club owner, who said that he expected to cut his salary list by at least one-fifth. Those players who have for the past three years enjoyed an inflated compensation as a result of the Federal league war, will be hit the hardest, it was stated.

MANAGER AT BANK CAFE

Beginning next Monday, December 18, William Chisholm, now with the Alex. Kelso cafe, Chillicothe street, will take active charge of the Bank Cafe, established several years ago by the late Willis A. Ward. Mr. Chisholm is without a doubt one of the most proficient as well as popular mixologists in the city and has a host of friends here. His first step as manager will be to discontinue the upstairs restaurant and he states that under no circumstance shall a woman enter the building. He expects to make several improvements and introduce quite a few new features.

Going To Florida

H. A. Berley, a local real estate dealer, is planning to make a visit to Florida shortly after the new year is ushered in.

Dan Getting Better

Dan Fawcett, a local colored barber, continues to recover from his recent illness at his home on Eleventh street.

Why is there always represented as a child? Because it never reaches the age of discretion.

CHAMPION HOG RAISER

Chris Hasselman, father of George and Will Hasselman, of this city, is the champion hog raiser of Long Meadow. He did his winter butchering a few days ago and two of his one-year-old porkers dressed at 301 pounds.

SAYS IT WAS BROKEN BONE TWO BELOW LURKS IN FALL

Z. T. Fuggitt, milk dealer of 1010 Robinson avenue, does not claim to be a weather prophet but says he has a thermometer that he always can rely on to tell the truth. Mr. Fuggitt said that at four o'clock Saturday morning the mercury was two below zero.

WILL PUBLISH LIST OF DONORS

The names of those who subscribed to the ten thousand dollar fund which the Bureau of Community Service raised this week, will be published in The Times, just as soon as a list is completed. W. W. Anderson, chairman of the committee, said Saturday that a complete list would be prepared at once.

As Saleswoman

Mrs. Winnie Brandy, of Fourth street, has taken a position as saleswoman at Daulton Bros. grocery on Second street.

Cold At McDermott

Thompson Bros., general storekeepers of McDermott, reported that the temperature in that village was one degree below zero Saturday morning.

Picked Up By Police

Harry Warner and a man giving the name of James P. Neal were arrested for drunkenness near Second and Market streets by Officer Leeds Saturday afternoon.

OIL LEASES FILED

Oil leases covering 2485 acres of land located in Vernon, Bloom and Madison townships were filed in the county recorder's office Saturday by the Ohio Fuel Supply Company, Columbus.

Hip Hurt In Bad Fall

S. Ellis, while returning from the Ben Hur meeting Friday evening slipped and fell in a snow drift on Second street, severely hurting his hip.

Delivers Overlands

F. E. Dwyer, Overland automobile agent, has delivered a model 75 truck to John Moeller, butcher, and a model 85 touring car to H. L. Bradley, of 214 1-2 Market street.

BOWLING

Games rolled in the Crystal Palace Bowling League Friday evening:

Zuhar's Zebras			
Doll	181	152	150
Montgomery	147	134	123
L. Kratzer	149	142	125
Bruno	203	197	179
Bouts	162	167	117
Totals	842	792	693

Eagles

Frick	136	134	150
Distel	113	154	174
Combs	170	124	143
Reider	133	161	104
Orr	212	160	164
Totals	769	753	738

H. Braves

Brown	147	153	134
Snyder	76	83	93
Drugan	116	140	109
Bouts	189	168	188
Hughes	220	146	159
Totals	748	680	680

Bell's Braves

W. Logan	117	121	114
W. Smith	116	89	96
Krieder	123	102	138
Bell	102	138	118
Orr	167	148	164
Totals	625	595	630

Will Hold Inquest

An affidavit was filed in probate court Saturday charging Mary Foley, who has been termed by the local police as "The Woman of Mystery," with insanity. An inquest will be held Monday.

Mayor Remitted Fines

Clyde Brewer was the name given by a man who because of his drunken condition was refused passage on a street car and later arrested at Ninth and Waller streets Friday evening. He and a man registering as Ernest Sampson, who was arrested for drunkenness at East Portsmouth, were fined \$5 each but the mayor showed a holiday spirit in suspending the fines and telling the two to go and sin no more.

EXTRA CLERKS ON DUTY

West End merchants did a big Christmas business Saturday. Many of the stores had extra clerks on duty.

Much Paid In Taxes

The past week has been a busy one at the offices of County Treasurer Maurice J. Caldwell. During this time, \$26,220.92 was collected in taxes for the first half of 1916.

Marshall To Investigate

A deputy U. S. marshal arrived here from Cincinnati, Saturday, to investigate the stealing of a Parcel post package from Carrier Aloisius Melcher a few days ago. Ed Bond, Ed Bowman and Jeff Cooper, who are held for local petty thieving, are suspected of the stealing.

Coal Demand Increases As Mercury Takes Drop

Coal dealers reported quite a scarcity of supply Saturday, the cold snap having created an unusual demand.

"People are simply begging for coal, but I am turning down immediate delivery orders on account of a shortage of teams and wagons," said John Capehart. His books were already filled with orders calling for deliveries on Monday. He made one exception when a woman giving her address as No. 1219 Gay street, said her husband was sick and that she had to borrow coal from neighbors. He promptly sent a load to her.

Lowell Ginn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ginn of Ninth street, who was recently operated upon in the Hempstead hospital for appendicitis, was removed to his home Saturday.

Mrs. John Dice, who has been very ill at her home on Second street, was reported better Saturday.

Albert Killen, of 2416 Fifth street, who was operated on Monday at Hempstead hospital, is improving. He has been removed to his home.

Joe Hoskins, a well known mill man, is ill with a gripe at the Biggs House.

John Swearingin, a Second street grocer, has been suffering with a heavy cold all week.

To Join Parents
Howard McCullough will leave Sunday for Warren, O., where he recently moved to that city.

The Wish of Every Young Lady Wrist Watches

Every young lady wants a Wrist Watch—and you can't blame her for that, because there is such a fascination about these dainty wristlets that is almost irresistible. We have a splendid assortment of them.

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Special Price	Special Price	Special Price
\$12.00	\$12.00	\$12.00

Our holiday special wrist watch surely is a beauty and a bargain at our special price. This little watch is only a trifle larger than a quarter, perfectly plain, gold filled case, with a beautiful gold dial, black hands and figures, fitted with a fine 15 jewel movement timed and regulated at the factory. The bracelet is gold filled flexible and detachable, with a new safety device on either end, bracelet can be made smaller if necessary. This is a really good wrist watch at a popular price. Select one today, as our supply is limited.

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Says English As Much To Blame As Germany For Sinking Of The Lusitania

Graphic impressions of war-torn Europe are given in an interview by Omer Brandon, representative of the Parsons company, Newton, Ia., who is here demonstrating a big trench-digging machine, which the A. E. Miller Construction company recently purchased.

Mr. Brandon was in Moscow at the time war was declared and returned home on the Lusitania, which was torpedoed on the next journey across the Atlantic. He later returned to France to demonstrate the trench-digging machine to the army officials and experts to go back to France sometime in March.

"I had delivered one of our machines to the Russian officials at Moscow and was there demonstrating it for road construction work when war was declared," Mr. Brandon said. "Of course, at Moscow there was considerable excitement. Crowds of students thronged the streets, carrying Russian and Russian flags. It was about the same sort of demonstration that we have here, after a football game. They were

just out to create an impression on the people.

"I was in Moscow for fifteen days, after the war was declared. I did not have any trouble but had to submit to considerable rapping. I took a train to Petrograd and there I took a train, and traveled through Finland, stopping at Roma. From Roma I went by boat to Stockholm, Sweden, and from there by train to Bergen, Norway. At Bergen I took a boat for Newcastle, England."

"In March, 1915, I went back, going from London to Boulogne, France, where I demonstrated the machine as a trench-digger. At this time, but little importance was attached to the usefulness of the machine in military campaigns.

Men were plentiful and most of the trenches were made by hand. "When they had plenty of men they believed that the machine presented too formidable appearance for the artillery but now men are scarce and the machines will have to be more generally used."

"The main hospital base for the western front army is located at Boulogne. It is also a munition

base. If you are at any fortified fort the police department take your complete record, even down to finger prints.

"The first line trenches are built in zig-zag fashion. That it is like two long parallel lines, with alternating breaks in each line, forming a perfect network of turns, with just room enough to allow a stretcher to pass around the corners.

"The average depth is four feet, and then with the earth removed and banked in front, the depth is 6 feet. From the first line trench about every 100 feet are communication trenches, which run in reverse curves to the second line trenches, which are also in the shape of a reverse curve.

"While I was at Boulogne, a big Zeppelin passed over the city. I did not see it, but one of the army officers told me the next morning that the big machine had been spotted with the search-lights and was frightened away without dropping any bombs."

While in England, Mr. Brandon had opportunity to discuss the war with several officers and citizens.

"The Englishmen I talked to did not seem to like the American attitude toward the war. They thought the United States should come out and be on the other side. A lot of fellows said they would like to see a submarine sink a United States boat with a lot of Americans on board. I asked them why, and they said that it would bring the United States to time."

"I made the return trip in 1915. I believe that the English government is just as much to blame for the sinking of the Lusitania as the German government. There is no question but what the passengers were warned of the danger.

"When I made the return trip, I know that the passengers knew what chances they were taking. Why reduced rates were offered to the passengers and this drew the crowds from the American line ships. If the Lusitania had been conveyed through the danger zone by English cruisers, she would never have been torpedoed, for the submarine would have attacked the English war ship first and the Lusitania would have gotten away," Mr. Brandon says.

"It looked to me like the English government used the passengers as a mask to transport their munitions. I know when I went over on the Adriatic, that there were two big 16-inch guns lashed to the deck. I was told that nearly all of the ships were carrying war material of some sort."

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BIRTHS

Word was received by relatives Saturday that Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Appler, of Detroit, Mich., are rejoicing over the arrival of an eight pound son born Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Appler are former residents of Portsmouth.

RARDEN

Miss Josie Clark, Mason, was here Saturday visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Clark.

Miss Genevieve Forsythe, Huntington, W. Va., was a recent guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Jane Forsythe.

Mrs. James Kates, Jr., who underwent an operation at the Hempstead a few weeks ago, returned home Sunday feeling much improved.

Mrs. J. E. Taylor, Portsmouth, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Miss Osie Scott, Portsmouth, came Tuesday to spend a few days here with Miss Ruth Vandyke.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Newman and little daughter, Portsmouth, who have been here visiting relatives, returned home Wednesday.

J. M. Murfin was a business visitor in Portsmouth, Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Deaver, Portsmouth, was a recent guest of her mother, Mrs. Susan Hackworth.

Considerable interest is being taken in the meetings which are being conducted by Rev. Strong.

Martin Warf has returned from visiting relatives in Cleveland.

G. H. Bratten has taken a position at J. Milt Jones', Otway.

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MILL STILL IDLE THE RESULT OF GAS SHORTAGE

At the offices of the Whitaker-Glessner company it was stated Saturday afternoon that owing to a shortage of gas no definite time had been fixed when the operation of the plant, which have been idle three days would resume.

"We had planned to start several of the departments tonight

and the rest Sunday, but the gas shortage continues and we have not been able to determine just when we will resume full force again," an official of the company stated Saturday.

At the office of the Portsmouth Gas company Supt. John McMillan stated that the city's normal gas pressure was slightly off this

morning, but was at its normal stage this afternoon. "The shortage was due principally to the heavy demand made for gas owing to the excessively cold morning," Mr. McMillan stated. He also said that in many instances gas shortage in private homes was due to inferior piping, too small a pipes being used he stated.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Following the annual custom of The Times, letters to Santa Claus by children will be published. Each day's mail now brings several of these letters. Those received up to date are:

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little school boy and I have tried very hard to be good. Dear Santa, I would like for you to bring me a little horse and a wagon and some other toys. I thank you very much.
THEO. CARR.
1617 Highland Ave.

Dear Santa:
I am a small boy. Only two years old. I have no father or mother to care for me. Do not forget to send me some toys and candy.
FLOYD WOREMAN,
Portsmouth, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a train and a jumping jack and a soldier game and book and some paints. I would like to have a painting book and a new set of blocks. Please bring my brother a jumping jack and a street car, a train and some books. My sister wants a doll, a doll-bed, and a book. Please bring us a tree and some candy.
With love,
BILLY BIERLEY.

Dear Old Santa Claus:
Please don't forget me and my little brother Carl. I want some candy, peanuts, a rocking horse.
Little ELLIS GORDON,
Malone, Ky.

Dear Old Santa:
I have been very good this year and want you to send me some nice things for Christmas. My mama is in the hospital and can't get me an automobile or drum and lots of pretty things, I thought I would write to you. I want a horse and wagon.
Yours truly,
CLYDE CARVER,
P. S. I am 4 years old. I live on the corner of Eleventh and Lincoln streets.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a dress, a pair of shoes, a hair ribbon, a pair of kid gloves, a doll, some candy and some nuts and oranges. Good bye.
CATHERINE THOMAS,
P. S. I am nine years old.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy ten years old and my name is Orville. I have a little brother seven years old and his name is Robert. As Christmas is very near, I am writing to you to let you know what I would like to have. I want a pair of new shoes, an overcoat, a wagon and my little brother wants a new

pair of shoes, an overcoat, a game of Lotto, a story book and a water gun. Santa, we have a little cousin staying with us. Her name is Thelma Brisker. She is 6-years old and she wants a doll, a buggy, a picture book and some dishes. Santa will you bring us all of these, if you have them?

From your little friends,
Orville and Robert York and Thelma Brisker.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy ten years old. I live on Robinson avenue. For Christmas I want you to bring me a doll, a wagon, a set of dishes, a set of Model Builders, and a little blue cap with a red tassel on it. I believe that is all. Your friend,
HAROLD McLAUGHLIN.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring my brother and I some nice things for Christmas. I want a wagon, a cap, a pair of Boy Scout gloves and a register. Bring my brother the same, except do not bring him a wagon. One will do for both of us. Bring us some candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget my sister Margaret. Your friends,
FREDERICK AND EDWARD COMPLIMENT.

Dear Santa Claus—I will write a few lines to let you know that I am a good little boy. I am seven years old and I go to school. Dear Santa, I want an iron train that runs on a track and a sled. I have one, but I want one more. I want a model builder. And Santa, please bring me a book and a pair of ball-bearing roller skates.

ANDERSON JENNINGS,
1748 Eleventh street.

Dear Santa:
I love you dearly. And I thank you for the things that you brought me last year. Will you bring me a doll and a piano and some candy and some nuts this year? Please.
FRANCES EVERETT ALGER.

Dear Santa: I am a girl eleven years old and would like to have a set of furs, a pair of gloves and some handkerchiefs. Would you mind bringing a girl some can ly?

M. R.

Dear Santa: Will you please send me an electric engine and a drum and an air gun and a little truck. My little cousin that lives with us wants a little doll and a little buggy and a little bed and some candy and nuts. Thanking you for what we got last Christmas, we are, your loving little children, Frank Voss and Lucy Faulkner, 617½ Chillicothe St.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a sewing box, a big china closet that will hold all my dishes; a little dresser; a table cloth. And a set of napkins for my dolls and will you dress Mary up nicely if I leave her down-

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"Fifty-Fifty"	"The Pretenders"	"The End of the Trail"	"Avagabond Prince"	"A Country God Forgot"

Please try to send me some of your candy, an automobile and some other things that you have in your store. But Santa, please don't forget to send me the automobile. Hoping, I still remain your friend,
OSCAR CARR,
1617 Highland Avenue

Dear Santa—I am a little girl three years old. I want a doll, a doll buggy, a book, a pig in the box, a watch, and lots of nice things. Be sure and send peanuts and candy, too. From Elizabeth Ruth Burton, 102 Glover street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl nine years old and am in the fourth grade. I want some good games and a little piano, a small kitchen cabinet and some story books. I want "Five Little Peppers". Send it to Miss Edith Mae Burton, 102 Glover street.

LYRA

Rev. S. Fisher preached at the F. W. B. church Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hickman, Dec. 14, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rogers, formerly of Lyra, now of Flora, Ind., are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Kendall Jenkins, Sr., who has been seriously ill for several months, is much better.

John Groh died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1916, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Knapp, near Powellville, of acute indigestion. He was 32 years of age. He was born in Germany. Funeral services were held Thursday at the Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wheeler have moved to Black Fork.

Mrs. Tom Call and daughter, Darlene, of Lick Run, have scarlet fever.

Isaac Thompson, Portsmouth, spent several days here with his mother, Mrs. Sarah Ann Thompson, Midland, O.

Mrs. Mary J. Smith, who has been confined at her home with stomach trouble, is some better.

Mrs. George Downard, Turkey Foot, who has been sick, is no better.

John Thicken, Lick Run, has purchased a Ford.

Eddie Thompson and son, John, and daughter, Katherine, returned to their home at Cumberland, O., Thursday, after spending a few days with Mrs. S. A. Thompson at Midland, O.

Herb Willis attended the stock sale at Greenup last week.

Robert Clary, who has been visiting relatives here for several weeks, has returned to his home in Portsmouth.

John P. Hayward, Seatonville, spent Tuesday with his son, S. O.

Wheelerburg, Dec. 7, 1916.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me some candy, nuts, oranges, some cocoanuts, some handkerchiefs, a stove and a new dress. My brother wants an air gun, some chewing gum, some pencils, some marbles. My sister wants a doll that has hair, some A. B. C. blocks. I will have the front door open for you. Your little friend,
CLARA MILLER.

Dear Santa—Please send me a banjo, a tricycle, an automobile, and a fiddle. Send them to Master George William Burton. P. S.—Please send story book. I forgot the book, Santa.

Dear Santa—Send me a drum and a fiddle and a wheel to ride. I would like some peanuts and candy and a real good story book. From your boy,
C. BURTON,
Glover Street,
South Webster.

My Dear Santa Claus:
I am writing you this letter to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want some candy, some nuts and a cocoanut, an orange, a doll and an electric curler. I would like to have a pair of new stockings.

Dear Santa, I would like for you to bring me what I ask for, if you do not have too many other little boys and girls besides me. My name is Grace Bradbury. With lots of love and Christmas wishes.

Dear Santa Claus: I have tried to be a good boy this year. I go to school every day. I have obeyed my mother and father,

Hayward. Several from here attended the funeral services of Mrs. Mary Virginia Turner, Tuesday, at Wheelersburg.

Mrs. Carrie Hammerstein is visiting her brother, Dr. G. M. Andre, of Wheelersburg.

Mrs. Clarence Lemon, who has been confined to her home with pneumonia for several weeks, is now able to sit up.

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Loren Cunningham will arrive home next week from Bucknell University at Lewisburg, Pa., to spend the Xmas holidays with home folks.

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Roller Skates 50c to \$2.50.

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Velocepedes, steel tires, \$1.50 to \$2.00; rubber tires, \$2.00 to \$12.00.

Wheelbarrows 75c.

Boy Scout Knives 60c to \$1.00.

Watches \$1.00 to \$3.00.

Air Rifles 50c to \$3.50.

Base Balls 5c to \$1.25.

Foot Balls 50c to \$6.00.

Little Hummer Bicycles \$9.75

Other Bicycles from \$15, \$18, \$25, \$30 to \$40.

Boxing Gloves \$1.50 to \$7.50

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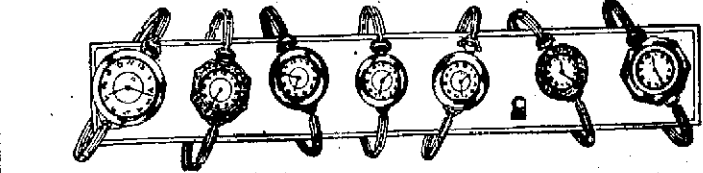
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FOR SALE:—Buick touring car, model 35, bargain. Phone 399. 915 Offene. 11-1f

FOR SALE:—9 clothing racks in good condition. Apply Liberty Clothing Co., 910 Gallia St. 15-2t

FOR SALE:—Five room cottage, bath, electricity, lot 38 ft. front, 1709 5th St., cash or easy terms; vacant ready to move into. \$3300. 5 room bungalow, bath, electricity, furnace, garage, finished attic, Baird avenue; \$4100. 7 room 2 story, Offene St., good investment or a cheap home; \$1000. New 6 room bungalow on hill, cash or easy payment, only \$3500. 7 room 2 story, 5th St., \$1900. Nice vacant lot, 6th, easy payment, \$600. Lot Cedar St., Stewartville, \$700. 3 room cottage, Taft St., Stewartville; will trade. Lot 5th, \$350. Lot corner 12th and Union; good barn on it; \$1000. 6 room 2 story, slate roof, furnace, hardwood floors, garage, west of Offene on Gallia. A nice home in a location that will increase in value; \$5500. 5 room cottage, 7th, large barn, house renting for \$15 per month. Will take cheap lot as part payment; \$2000. 5 room cottage, bath, electricity, hardwood floors, furnace, 5th near Waller. Owner out of city; cheap at \$3500. Loans arranged. Fire, Life, Health and Accident Insurance that insures. P. W. Kileyne, 52 First National Bank. Phone 1608 or 1408-L. 15-2t

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Deal Is Closed

John Maple has sold to John Flannery a ten room house and store room at 1320 Summit street. L. A. Hammond occupies the store room with a grocery. Mr. Flannery bought the property as an investment. W. H. Shankwiler, real estate dealer, plotted the deal.

Home From Trip
Albert Wilhelm, who travels for a shoe firm, his territory embracing Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, has arrived home from a successful three month's trip.

FOR SALE:—Folding bed. Phone 751-R or 1445 11th. 15-3t

FOR SALE:—One rooming house, 1538 Fourth St. 15-3t

FOR SALE:—Good young horse, cheap. J. I. Marsh, 1526 5th. 15-3t

FOR SALE:—Red short horned cow with calf. Phone 5502-L. Frank McGee. 15-2t

FOR SALE:—Good building lot. Small house on rear. Phone 1877-Y. 15-2t

FOR SALE:—4 room house on good lot. Phone 1877-Y. 15-2t

FOR SALE:—Jay Boul mare, harness, express, phaeton, wagon. 1021 2nd. 15-2t

FOR SALE:—3 room house on 5th, 1650. B. M. Donahue, 1129 3rd. Phone 1270-W. 15-2t

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FOR RENT:—Nicely furnished downstairs front room for sleeping, suitable for two gentlemen or man and wife, bath and phone. East End, near car line. 2 17 Gallia. 16-1f

FOR RENT:—Rooms for light housekeeping. 1014 Chillicothe St. 16-1t

FOR RENT:—Furnished flat. Phone 380-L. 16-2t

FOR RENT:—New Boston house, 6 rooms with bath, Spruce St. Inquire 4237 Pine St. 16-1t

FOR RENT:—Furnished rooms. 1525 Gallia. 16-5t

FOR RENT:—4 room flat with bath, electricity and gas. Phone 1381-X. 16-1f

FOR RENT:—Store room. Call 1628 Eleventh St. 16-3t

FOR RENT:—8 room house with bath. 1234 3rd. Apply Watkins grocery. 15-2t

FOR RENT:—2 room alley house on 13th St., price \$6 per month; must be small family. Phone 1490. 15-2t

FOR RENT:—Business room, southeast corner Eleventh and Offene. Inquire 208 Market St. 15-3t

FOR RENT:—5 room cottage with bath at 1518 Summit St. near Grant. Phone 2500-L. 15-3t

FOR RENT:—Two rooms, one front room \$2.50 per week, one room \$2 per week; centrally located. 617 1/2 Chillicothe St. 15-3t

FOR RENT:—Furnished rooms. Phone 1124-X. 15-1t

FOR RENT:—2 furnished light housekeeping rooms, bath complete. 1024 Gallia. 14-3t

FOR RENT:—Two nicely furnished rooms for gentlemen at 816 Sixth street. All conveniences. Findeis cafe. 14-1f

FOR RENT:—Fine store room at 515 Second street. Call Findeis cafe. 14-1f

FOR RENT:—2 upstairs unfurnished rooms, 1128 Gay; \$5 per month. 14-3t

FOR RENT:—Furnished front rooms with bath and gas, for one or two gentlemen. 816 11th or phone 1719-L. 14-3t

FOR RENT:—4 room cottage, 1028 16th St., Phone 661. 14-3t

FOR RENT:—Furnished room for light housekeeping. 1013 Washington. 14-1f

FOR RENT:—Two furnished rooms. 724 Seventh St. 13-1f

FOR RENT:—5 room flat, bath. 1033 13th St. Phone 738-Y. 12-1f

FOR RENT:—Large front room with bath. 712 Washington. 2-1f

FOR RENT:—5 room house with bath. Inquire at 1422 Offene. 30-1f

FOR RENT:—3 nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 1266-Y or 817 8th. 14-1f

LOST

LOST:—Buggy robe and seat. Phone 2803-X. 14-3t

LOST:—Pocketbook Friday. Return 334 Front. 16-3t

LOST:—Hound with rope around neck. Phone 1804-L or return to 2215 Robinson. Reward. 16-1t

Wesley Hall Mission 3 Years Old Sunday

Rev. John F. Grimes, pastor of Manly church, will hold special services at Wesley Hall Mission, on Second street, Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, in celebrating the third anniversary of the Mission. A special quartette will render several selections. John Wenner, director of Manly choir, will have charge of the singing. The board of directors will be present and several will give talks. All are welcome to the services.

OBITUARY

Mrs. George Turner
Mrs. Agnes Roe, of 826 Third street, received word Saturday that a distant relative, Mrs. George Turner, had died Dec. 13, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Turner Allen, in Tacoma, Wash., after a lingering illness of infirmities, the deceased being over 80 years of age.

Mrs. Turner was well known here having lived in this city for some time. She had lived in Tacoma for a number of years. Her husband died in Tacoma. He was a son of John R. Turner, who was recently clerk here for 43 years. The deceased is survived by one daughter at whose home she died. Mrs. Allen's father-in-law is Judge Frank Allen, of Tacoma.

Daniel Carroll
Judge Thomas C. Beatty, probate court, received a telegram from the Athens State hospital Saturday announcing the death of Daniel Carroll, an aged resident of near Harrisonville, who was sent to the institution December 4. Judge Beatty notified Frank Carroll, a son, of the death of his father. Arrangements will be made to bring the remains to Harrisonville for burial.

Ruth Bayless
Ruth Bayless, two weeks' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bayless, died at their home on Scioto trail five miles north of the city at eleven o'clock Saturday morning. Whooping cough was the cause of death. The funeral will be held from the home Monday morning at ten o'clock, with Rev. Howe, pastor of the Lucasville M. E. church, in charge. Interment will be in Glenlawn.

Mrs. Ida May Stinson
The remains of Mrs. Ida May Stinson, who died in Los Angeles, Cal., arrived Friday night and were removed to the home of her mother, Mrs. Isabel Powers, of 1634 Seventh street. The funeral services will be conducted from the home by Rev. M. S. Bush, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Stinson's aunt, Mrs. Emma Powers, accompanied the body to this city.

John J. Burke
John J. Burke, aged 70, for years a leading citizen of Ironton, died at his home in that city Friday after an extended illness.

To Locate in Detroit
Mrs. Henry Molster will leave in a few days for Detroit, Mich., her new home. Mr. Molster has landed a fine job in a Detroit rolling mill.

Machines Just Faded Away
Mayor Kups' order of banning slot machines resulted in all the machines disappearing from public gaze within a short space of time. Several have already been shipped out of town.

THEATRICAL
At the Sun
Tonight at 7:30 and 8:45 last two performances of Mack's Progressive Girls that classy little musical show that has made such a big hit this week at the Sun theatre. The bill tonight is entirely different from the first four days of the week and contains lots of good comedy, latest songs and several new dances. Don't miss this show tonight. The Sun will be dark all next week opening again Xmas day. Watch for announcements later.

Special Xmas Policemen
Barney Denby and Al Conklin were sworn in as special policemen Saturday morning for duty in the shopping district during the holiday period.

Thanks The Chief
Chief Clark has received a letter from J. E. Quickel, a Forstoria optician, thanking him for the splendid care given him while he was held at the local prison during the time he had the "D. T.'s." He writes of his intention to enter a hospital in Toledo.

Has Had Experience
Ed Burns, one of the newly appointed patrolmen, has had active police service before, having formerly been a member of the Indianapolis, Ind., force. He also served three years in the regular army and two years with the Texas Rangers in border patrol duty.

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MASONIC NOTICE

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WANTED:—Call and buy for wife a Singer sewing machine with or without a motor for a Christmas present, sold on easy terms and large discount given for cash on short time payments. We have small improved machine for children. C. Uhl, Manager, 211 Chillicothe St., or Phone 471. 11-6t

WANTED:—Man to work on place. Earl Clare, Scioto Trail. 14-3t

WANTED:—Stenographic position by young man experienced in mercantile and commercial work, legal and railroad. Can give references as to character and ability. Can handle any kind of office work. Phone 1447-X or address X. Y. Z., Box 629. 15-3t

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WANTED:—Big financial corporation wants representatives to sell Actuarial Savings Bonds with borrowing privilege, costing only 3/4 percent per annum, and substantial profit on small monthly installments. No competition, big returns. References required. The Continental Bond Corporation, Continental Bldg., Denver, Colo. 16-1t

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A Stitch In Time

Does the glare from the snow bother your eyes?

Better come in and get a pair of Crescent Special Ground Amber Glasses. We have them from 25c up.

Have you seen our Crescent Special Ground Toric Lenses? They are the finished product of our 20 years' experience.

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Wm. J. Bryan

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No two speakers are alike, and no speaker can successfully imitate another. Each man must be himself.

Nature has her cyclones, her deafening thunder, her blinding lightning, her belching volcanoes and her earthquakes.

Sunday is a natural sort of man; why should those who imitate the gentle zephyr find fault with him because the hurricane is more to his liking? The fact that his patterns after the more violent manifestations of God's power may account for the tremendous impression that he makes upon his

audience, for is not man impressed by ruggedness?

And his language is undignified, they say. Well, it is unusual at times. He uses slang phrases, but a phrase that begins as slang often earns a place in our language by its forcefulness. The purpose of argument is to persuade, and how can an argument persuade unless it is understood?

Some people speak over the heads of their auditors. What shall I profit a preacher if he uses the whole dictionary and lose the soul that he is trying to save?

Shall we put a higher estimate upon form than upon substance? Language is intended to convey thought; if a sinner can be aroused by a slang phrase is it not better to use the phrase than to delight his ears with euphonious words while he walks the road to ruin?

If Mr. Sunday's language seems abrupt at times, and even impolite, it must be remembered that the Master in whose name he preaches used strong language. "Scribes, Pharisees, hypocrites," were not eulogistic terms nineteen hundred years ago; "whited sepulchre" was not a conciliatory description; "ye serpents, ye generation of vipers," was not even then a customary salutation at social gatherings. The 23d chapter of Matthew alone furnishes enough epithets to shock any minister who considers it his duty to palliate social sins and soothe the conscience of the evil doers in his congregation.

Even "hell," in referring to which Billy Sunday sins most frequently against so-called dignity and alleged good taste, does not sound as bad as it would feel. It is better to hear it than to endure it hereafter. He gets the word from the Bible, where it is frequently mentioned, and mentioned quite pointedly, too. Christ asks: "How can ye escape the damnation of hell?" We are even told that it is better to pluck out an eye or cut off a hand, if they offend, rather than the whole body should be cast into hell. "Hell" is not a complimentary term, but

there is Bible authority for the use of it to describe the man who says that he loves God but hates his brother.

But why give so much attention to the thorus upon the stem and so little to the rose? Mr. Sunday's eritics are so busy finding fault with an occasional phrase that they have no time left to consider the message that he delivers to his audience. What if he does jump too high, or run too fast, or come too near exhaustion in the expenditure of physical energy; should that blind any reasonable person to the beneficial influence of his sermons?

And what if he does use language that grates upon the ear, if by use of it he can tear his way through the outer covering of the heart and touch the life spring?

To take an illustration from the diamond. What if he does twist the language and curve his sentences, if by so doing he can make the devil strike out?

Those who overlook the good that he does and see in him only an acrobat and a slang monger, should read what was once said of certain blind guides "which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel."

"Chickens Come Home to Roost" is the title which Sunday gives to his sermon to men, which is only an epigrammatic way of paraphrasing numerous passages in the Bible conveying the same thought. The warning is conveyed in the commandments: "For I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children even unto the third and fourth generations of them that hate me."

No man has ever elaborated this thought more carefully than Mr. Sunday or fortified it more forcefully. In the course of this address he inveighs vehemently against swearing, and Boston will hear less of profane language because of this Sunday campaign. When he has finished his indictment of the oath there is nothing more to be said. His plea for cleanness of speech is alpha and omega on this subject.

His attack upon the sin of the

libertine is a complete indictment, the counts including the scars upon the body as well as the blots upon the soul. The comparison which he draws between the Jukes family and the Edwards family is a classic in rhetoric and a battering ram in energy. If any one doubts that Mr. Sunday possesses oratorical ability of a high order he should hear that sermon and learn how skillfully an argument can be built up—how artistically a climax can be constructed.

Perhaps in no sermon does he display a wider range of humor, pathos and invective, and that the blows tell is proven not only by the applause which punctuates the address, but more conclusively by the stream of men who are brought to a decision by his appeal.

A picture on canvas could hardly depict more vividly before a father the crime which he perpetrates upon his children, born and unborn, by licentiousness and debauchery. Many an auditor stands aghast as he looks upon this verbal photograph of himself. He sees that what he has regarded as "manliness" is but miserable weakness, and that a profession of faith which he has regarded as "weakness" is really a manifestation of manhood and moral courage. It is the kind of a sermon that closes the avenue of retreat and compels surrender.

Mr. Sunday makes religion a practical, every-day thing—not a visionary something vaguely related to a future life.

What does it mean to a community to have hundreds, not to say thousands, of its citizens startled into conviction and driven to repentance and an upright life? What does it mean in dollars to this generation and to the generations that follow? And if it is difficult to cast up the account in dollars, who will undertake to estimate the moral value of such an appeal delivered to 17,000 men in an afternoon, and then repeated at night in order to accommodate a new audience?

WAR

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from the Germans in General Nivelle's victory on the Verdun front, as counted up to the present, is 80, according to the latest reports reaching Paris.

The French plan of attack was drawn up by General Nivelle, now the commander-in-chief, with the concurrence of General Petain, who, at the time, was his superior officer. The assault proper was left to General Mangin. It was made by five divisions, or close to 100,000 men.

Behind that line, General Nivelle had distributed groups of powerful batteries which for 70 hours before the attack, hammered the German positions, particularly those on Pepper Hill and Hardamont and Besonvaux.

Promptly at 10 a. m. the five attacking divisions, each of which covered a front of one and one-quarter miles, advanced behind the screen fire of all calibers of guns. They swarmed rapidly into the German trenches. The German troops in these positions, surprised by the suddenness of the attack, offered comparatively little resistance. As they rushed to the attack, the soldiers cheered and from time to time the Marsellaise coming from the strong-throated points, could be heard above the chorus of the cannon.

With Vacherauville and Pepper Hill lost, it became evident to the Germans that resistance would be futile and they retired in fairly good order. On the Vacherauville-Besonvaux road, however, French troops suddenly appeared in the rear of the Germans. On seeing the French, the Germans bolted, throwing away rifles, knapsacks and pouches. From the top of the hill, the French could see them running and shouting with joy they dashed after them.

Half an hour later, the French reached the extremity of the Louvemont crest, close to the village of the same name. They joined hands with the formation which started from Hardamont wood and had progressed almost as rapidly along the eastern side of Pepper Hill and the Bras-Louvement road. Louvemont was stormed out of hand and a large contingent of prisoners was rounded up. By this time the Germans were surrendering freely all along the line and the communicating trenches were choked with prisoners going to the rear.

East of Louvemont, another division reached the Louvemont-Azannes road but here again the Germans went down before the vigorous efforts of their assailants, abandoning the ground and leaving many dead and several hundred prisoners.

The advance swept on over Hill 272 as far as Chambrettes farm, at the other edge of Fosses wood and carried it.

Northeast of Donaumont, the advance of the French troops was equally rapid. Hardamont wood, partly demolished by shell fire, could give no support to the German formations, which fell upon it in disorder.

Everywhere, the French had, showed splendid form and nothing could stop them. Nothing went wrong to interfere with their plans. By 11 o'clock 20 guns had fallen into the hands of the French; by noon 40 guns; by 5 o'clock, 75 had been counted, exclusive of those destroyed. Having accomplished the task set for him, General Mangin sent out exploring parties everywhere with instructions to destroy as many guns as possible and to come back to the newly conquered lines when their work was done. The scouting parties acted promptly and accomplished much.

The French front now follows a line running from the north of Vacherauville along the Vacherauville-Ville-de-Vant-Chaumont road to the extremity of the Louvemont crest, passes on the other side of Louvemont along the fringe of Fosses wood then before Chambrettes, and, crossing Caubert's wood, goes to the north village and as far as Vaux, the new line follows approximately the Bezonvaux-Damloup road.

NEW OFFENSIVE

London, Dec. 16.—British troops have taken the offensive in the region of Kut-el-Amara, in Mesopotamia, and have occupied Turkish positions on the Hai River south of Kut-el-Amara, says an official statement issued today. In the offensive movement the British crossed to the right bank of the Hai river and took trenches near Kalahaji Fabin, two and a half miles from Kut-el-Amara.

UNRESERVED ACCEPTANCE

Paris, Dec. 16.—An official telegram announcing that Greece had accepted unreservedly the conditions of the allies, was received at the foreign office at midnight, according to the Petit Journal.

London, Dec. 16.—According to an Athens dispatch to Reuter's, Greece has replied to the allies ultimatum by saying that it accepts the demand made on it, as it is desirous of giving another manifest proof of the sincerely friendly sentiments which have always animated it toward the entente. The reply says that no hostile movement of troops have ever taken place or been projected and that the transfer of material northward will immediately cease. Orders have already been given, it is stated, regarding the movements of troops and material and will be carried out as rapidly as possible.

In respect to the attack on British and French marines in Athens on December 1, the government declares that it desires to give every legitimate satisfaction and refers to its proposals to arbitrate. It expresses the hope that the allied powers will reconsider their decision to continue the blockade, which, it says, is straining relations and impressing public opinion. The reply concludes with the expression of a desire by the government and people of Greece for a resumption of the excellent traditional confidence which previously existed between Greece and the entente nations.

TEUTONS ADMIT LOSS

Berlin, Dec. 16.—(By Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Violent artillery fighting occurred in Belgium yesterday, it is announced officially. Southeast of Zillebeke, the German troops advanced to the second British line, whose defenders, the statement says, fled. On the Verdun front the French drove the Germans from advanced positions east of the Meuse. The Teutonic forces in Rumania are continuing their advance all along the front. Two thousand more prisoners have been brought in. In Dobruja, the Russians have retired.

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that the notes of the central powers proposing a discussion of peace to the entente allies will be sent forward by the American government acting as intermediary without any accompanying mediation offer of its own. He has not determined whether any action in behalf of peace will be taken later by the United States on its own account, but is holding himself in readiness to serve in any way possible toward bringing the warring nations together.

The course to be pursued was made known last night, after the president had conferred with Secretary Lansing and after a prolonged cabinet meeting. It was stated that the delay in forwarding the notes to the entente capitals was due to the fact that the messages received from Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey, identical in substance, differed slightly in phraseology as a result of different translations. They probably will be put on the cables tomorrow.

DUMA OPPOSES PEACE

London, Dec. 16.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd says: "The Duma has unanimously passed a resolution against the acceptance of the German peace proposals, after a spirited speech by the Minister of Foreign Affairs."

The text of the resolution, as received here, follows:

"The Duma, having heard the statement by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, unanimously favors a categorical refusal by the allied governments to enter, under present conditions, into any peace negotiations whatever."

"It considers that the German proposals are nothing more than fresh proof of the weakness of the enemy and a hypocritical act from which the enemy expects no real success and by which it seeks to throw upon others the responsibility for the war and for what happened during it, and to exculpate itself before public opinion in Germany."

"The Duma considers that a premature peace would not only be a brief period of calm, but would involve the danger of another bloody war as a renewal of the deplorable sacrifices by the people. It considers that a lasting peace will be possible only after a decisive victory over the military power of the enemy and after definite renunciation by Germany of the aspirations which renders her responsible for the world war and for the horrors by which it has been accompanied."

EXPLOSION WRECKS AN OIL PLANT

Wood River, Ill., Dec. 16.—Two men were killed and several others were injured in an explosion that wrecked two refining stations of the Standard Oil company here early today. The explosion was followed by a fire which for a time threatened ten large tanks filled with oil. The shock was felt for 15 miles.

BAN ON CAKES AND CANDIES

Rome, Dec. 16. (Via Paris).—A decree has been issued forbidding for two weeks the manufacture of candies or cake or their transmission by the post or railroad. The decree further forbids hotels to serve meals containing more than one meat course. The decree will prevent the sending of an enormous number of Christmas duties intended for the soldiers at the front.

Opposing Increase in Demurrage

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—Ohio shippers and consignees represented by the traffic managers of Chambers of Commerce at Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland opposed before the state public utilities commission today the proposition of Ohio railroads to increase demurrage charges as a means of relieving the car shortage in Ohio. Representatives of the shippers today told the utilities commission that the railroads themselves were in large measure to blame for the car shortage because of the slow movement of cars.

Guy M. Freer, represented Cincinnati shippers; D. F. Hard was here for the Cleveland shippers, and J. G. Young for the Columbus shippers.

TUBE WORKERS GET INCREASE

Lorain, O., Dec. 16.—A 10 per cent increase in wages for several thousand employees of the National Tube Co., a U. S. Steel corporation subsidiary, effective yesterday, will add over \$500,000 to the yearly earnings of Lorain working men.

TO PAY BONUS

Tiffin, O., Dec. 16.—Employees of the Webster Mfg. Co., were notified today that a nine-hour schedule at present wages will become effective January 1. The plant is now working 50 hours a week. A 15 per cent bonus to factory hands and a 10 per cent bonus to office employees, foremen and sub-foremen will be paid this month.

Get busy, men! Don't let the fact that you are temporarily out of a job make your whole future look black. Read TIMES WANT ADS.

11th Hour Suggestions For Men

BATH ROBES
NIGHT SHIRTS
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CREW LEAVING U. S. S. SUMNER

New York, Dec. 16.—Two hoards of the crew of the army transport Sumner, which grounded off Barnegat, N. J., Sunday night, were taken off early today and calls have been sent to Barnegat for lifeboats to take off the remaining men. Heavy seas are causing the transport to pound heavily on the shoal and the Sumner was leaning so badly shortly after midnight that the pumps and wireless were put out of commission.

M'LEAN WANTS THE AGREEMENT RATIFIED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Edward B. McLean, son of the late John R. McLean, Washington and Cincinnati publisher, and the executor of the McLean estate, today asked the local supreme court to ratify an agreement which would end the suit brought by young McLean to break the terms of his father's will.

The agreement proposes that McLean shall have complete control of the income from the McLean fortune and be recognized as the head of the Cincinnati Enquirer and the Washington Post.

Under the terms of the will, McLean was to have received a minimum of \$25,000 a year from his father's estate and the management of the properties was left almost entirely to trustees.

In the agreement which the court was asked to ratify today, McLean would receive an income estimated at from \$700,000 to \$1,000,000 a year and stipulates

that the executor and trustees will at all times consult with him on the management of the estate and afford him free access to its books.

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The Most Suitable Gift Possible Would Be That Reo the Fifth She Has Wished for So Long

FOR SEVERAL REASONS this will be not only the ideal Christmas gift, but this is the ideal time to buy a Reo.

FOR ONE THING—though you need not let on to her—you will derive just as much pleasure from it as she will. Not more—that would be impossible.

ANOTHER REASON IS that you have been promising for a long time to sell the "old boat" and get her a new car—one that will be more in keeping with her social position, her needs and her tastes.

AND YOU KNOW that of all the cars made, she prefers Reo the Fifth—for she can drive it herself. Many of her woman friends drive Reos—and they've told her, of course, of its wonderful simplicity of control—"just like an electric," and of its dependability.

THAT ABSOLUTE FREEDOM from the "pesky little troubles" that vex most motorists, and which are so distasteful—so unthinkable—to a woman driver, makes Reo the Fifth first choice of the most discriminating buyer.

THE THIRD REASON has to do with the second—that is, the selling of the "old boat" to advantage.

DOUBTLESS YOU'VE LEARNED that you can get more for your old used car yourself than a dealer can—so it's really folly to "trade it in."

THE IDEAL TIME to sell a used car is in January or February—just when the big spring rush is setting in—when all good, desirable makes of cars are so hopelessly over-sold it is impossible to get immediate delivery for "love or money," and when a "trade in" is almost out of the question.

BUYERS ARE HUNGRY then for any old kind of a car—but dealers are hungry only for new ones.

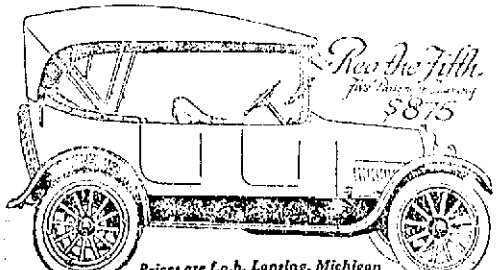
THEN'S THE TIME to advertise your used car, sell it for cash, and realize more for it than you can possibly do by trading.

P. S.—OF COURSE, IF TOO MANY dotting husbands or fathers or brothers act on this suggestion, we may not be able to deliver all the Reos Christmas morning "in the flesh." In that case a certificate of acceptance of your order will suit her almost as well—and better than anything else. And we'll be just as sure to get her Reo—freight service alone excepted. For, you know what that is—most uncertain. However, if you are one of the first, we will fill the order promptly.

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Lansing, Michigan

David Stahler

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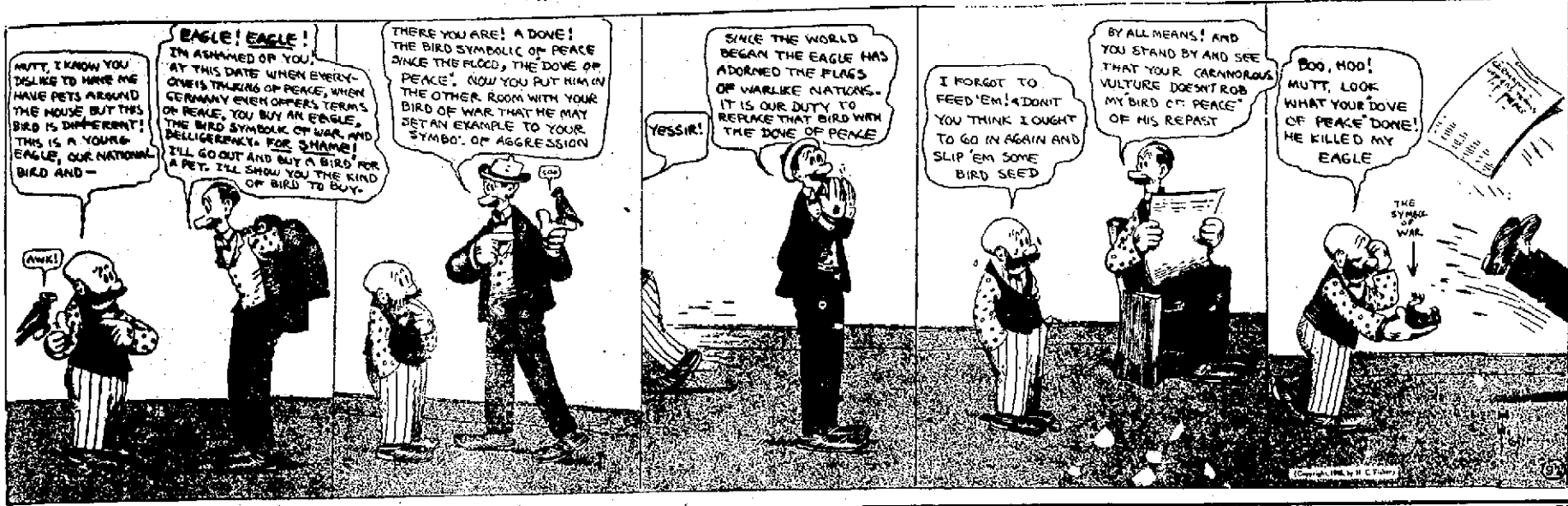
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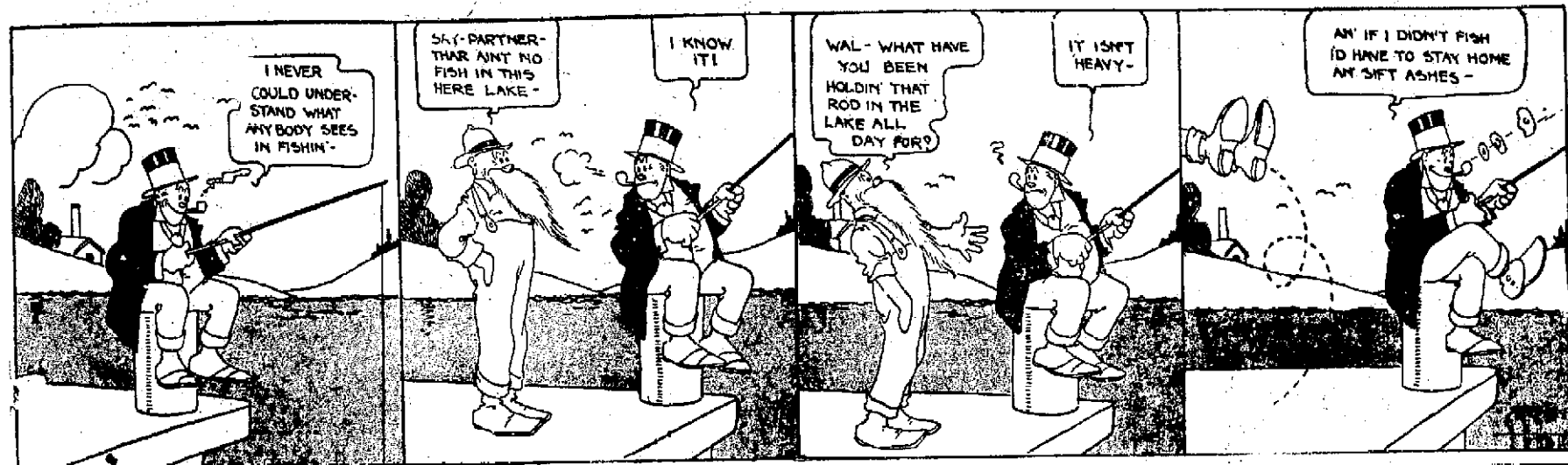
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BRINGING UP FATHER

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Local German's View Of European War

(Written by Louis F. Korth, former Editor of The Correspondent.)

Friday, December 15, 1916.
In spite of the worst kind of winter weather, which has turned the Wallachian clay into mud and mire, and made the primitive roads almost impassable for the artillery, General Mackensen is

steadily pushing the pursuit of the retreating Rumanians to the Buzau (Bodza) river, the frontier line of Southern Moldavia. Berlin reports that they made a stand on the Yalomitza, about 50 miles north of Bucharest, but were defeated after a sharp fight. By late advice Mackensen's cavalry had reached Mesil on Wednesday, only 30 miles south of Buzau, junction of the Ploesti and Braila railroads and is threatening the Russo-Rumanian communications.

Sofia states that a division of the Bulgarian-Dobruja army crossed the Danube at Silistria and after driving the Rumanians out of Kalarasi and Ploesti, the western end of the big Tchernavoda viaduct, crossed the Yalomitza to the right of Mackensen and is marching north to join him on the Buzau, thus cutting off the Rumanian forces yet in the Danube valley.

Mackensen's left, which advanced direct from Ploesti, seems to be halting for the moment on the Crico river to allow center and right to come up if we understand Berlin advice right. Petrograd says they met a stubborn resistance here. The Russo-Rumanians are evidently trying to hold the ground between Crico and Buzau as a glacis until their entire army is safely behind the

new line. Most of Wallachia, nearly two-thirds of Rumania, is now in the hands of the Central Powers.

Meanwhile the Russians continue to exercise an immense pressure in Northwestern Moldavia, the Bukovina and the Carpathians on the Germans to relieve their unfortunate. Every day brings new reports of heavy Russian attacks upon Arz and Koevess in the passes and the Bistriz and Trotus valleys. Petrograd is persistent in its claims of success on the Trotus, but Berlin says: "All attacks have failed so far. They are without effect upon our operations in Wallachia."

According to yesterday's despatches Hungarian cavalry has appeared at Tisan in the Upper Buzau Valley and is threatening the southern gate of the Buzau pass, held by the Russians. If they should take the pass it would open a road for the Austrian forces east of Kronstadt from the north to Buzau and the Rumanian communications of their new line.

Today's despatches say that Buzau has fallen. The Germans crossed the river, destroyed the railroad to Braila and Galatz and are in the flank of the Russians to the west.

In Russian military circles the fear is expressed that General Mackensen may cross the Sereth

before General Brussloff can assemble troops enough to oppose him which would endanger the whole southern front of the Russians. And if he should be able to force the Pruth they would have to abandon Galicia and Bukovina to protect Bessarabia and their lines to the Dniester and Odessa.

The German chancellor said in his peace declaration in the Reichstag that Rumania had entered the war with the purpose of rolling up the German lines in the east. Instead of the German-Austrian lines the Russo-Rumanian lines are now being rolled up.

The German war office announced on Tuesday that on his advance General Mackensen had taken another 10,000 prisoners on the Yalomitza. The total loss of the Rumanians in prisoners is given at 150,000, in dead and wounded at 250,000, 600 guns of all calibers have been captured. What the victors took in grain and produce is described as enormous. Petrograd claims that the retreating Rumanians drained all the oil reservoirs in the Ploesti petroleum region, but Berlin says they did not have time enough in their precipitate flight to do much harm.

On the Monastir front the Entente forces are unremitting in their efforts to break the German-Bulgarian lines on the Czerna,

keeping the poor Serbians in the van. Berlin says: "They suffered another defeat on Monday with very heavy losses in attacks on both banks of the river to no purpose. The Macedonian front has lost all military value since the Germans opened a new road to Constantinople through Rumania."

Winter seems to have brought operations on the western front to slow steps. Only the heavy guns are talking on clear days and the patrols are making their rounds and raids at night to reconnoiter and bring in prisoners from whom information may be gained. General Joffre, the old idol of the French masses, has been superseded in active command by General Nivelle of Verdun fame, the new idol of the same masses, to satisfy public opinion: nothing new in France. He now goes under the honorary title of chief commander but has no chief powers like Hindenburg. All reports are made to the secretary of war who with the war council has the general directive. (War councils have no good name in history.) This is interpreted as the first step in the new plan of operations for next spring, when General Nivelle will be heading the drive, for which the reserves are to be spared.

The French attacked on the right bank of the Meuse Thursday and Friday. Their first attacks were repulsed, but in the second they took Louvemont and the works around it.

In Greece it seems to have come to the point of bend or break. Some time ago the French occupied Katerina on the gulf southwest of Saloniki against the protest of the commander of a small garrison. A few days ago a Greek army of 5,000 men, evidently assembled there for the purpose, attacked the French north of the town and recaptured it. King Constantine is said to have ordered the mobilization of the entire army after the allies demanded the demobilization of the loyal reserves and established their blockade. He has to protect the sovereignty of the state not only against the allies but also against the rebel army of Venizelos. While agreeing to refrain from any unfriendly acts against the allies he demands unrestricted freedom of action in Old Greece, excluding Saloniki and Macedonia, withdrawal of the French troops from the Piræus, return of the Larissa railroad and the fleet, control of telegraph and telephone lines and lifting of the food blockade. These are his rights but the allies have the might. He will have to give in.

Coincident with developments on the Balkan are preparations along the Austro-Italian Trentino frontier for a renewal of the of-

fensive, that was checked by the exigencies arising from the Brussloff drive in the early summer, and the appearance of Austrian troops in Southern Albania threatening the Italians at Avlona, combined with dangerous activity of the Albanian tribes which are friendly to Greece.

According to report of the German admiralty two big armed transports and munition carriers, which were escorted by destroyers, were sunk in the Mediterranean.

The German admiralty announced: "The British liner Caledonia tried to ram a German submarine on December 4th, but only damaged it slightly, whereupon the submarine torpedoed the steamer, a ship of 9,233 tons, used as a transport by the British. The captain of the Caledonia and two passengers, a British brigade commander and a staff officer, were made prisoners."

A German submarine torpedoed the French transport Alzérie on its voyage from Saloniki. The

military guard on board was taken prisoner.

Since the beginning of the war the British and French navies have lost 132 war vessels of 744,000 tonnage.

German naval experts conclude from the recent changes in British high commands, that Britain is about to begin a vigorous offensive on sea and man all merchant ships with far carrying guns force and aft. So far England has kept her high sea fleet in seclusion at the Orkneys, so as not to expose the costly big sea fighters to the German submarine raids.

The same causes which led to the British cabinet crisis and severe upheavals have forced Premier Briand to reconstruct the French cabinet. Pichon wrote in the Petit Journal: "It is clear that the present situation cannot last. The censorship cannot prevent the truth from breaking through the clouds. There are spots where a clean sweep must be made." And Joffre was the first victim. Other changes have followed.

In submitting the budget for the first quarter of 1917, in the French chambers, M. Porel, the minister of commerce, stated that the war had cost France up to April 1, 72,000 million francs and England 90,000 millions. If it lasts another year it will have cost France 120,000 million francs. Deputy Brisson showed this by tables. It means ruin.

Exchequer Keeper Andrew Bonar Law announced in the British House of Commons, in a warning way, that the daily war expenses of Great Britain had risen to \$27,950,000. Bonar Law is considered the most conservative of the British ministers. It was hoped that he would succeed Asquith, but low influences, Northcliffe and the Times, who nowadays make public opinion in England, opposed him. He has demanded another million recruits and another war credit of two billions.

Premier Briand announced in the French chambers that the government was going to prohibit the sale of strong spirits, but not of wines and beer. In the larger German cities the American bar and English gin mill had to go two years ago, along with the Kuehnel-Kneipe. They were destructive of social life.

The Courant of Rotterdam fears a famine for all Europe, if the war continues. There is everywhere a scarcity of breadstuffs and fodder. Hog-raising has been given up by many farmers. They kill and sell their cattle because they are not able to keep it over winter. Importation of foodstuffs has been largely reduced by the British blockade, which hits neutrals as much as belligerents, by the submarine warfare, the lack of tonnage and the shortage of crops in America. Russia, the richest grain country in Europe, is exporting very little, and

yet is suffering from a famine. Different causes have contributed to ward it, mainly the want of field labor. England is no better off than Russia today.

Dublin and Cork papers announce that there is a shortage of foodstuff, especially of potatoes, which in many places have been attacked by a blight, in Ireland. At the same time Secretary Foster has declared in the British parliament that the government was considering the advisability of commandeering the potato crop as it did in 1914. The Cork Examiner says: "The potato question is giving enormous anxiety."

For the mapping out and the general direction of the victorious Rumanian campaign, Emperor William has conferred upon General Hindenburg, as chief of staff, the grand-croix of the Iron cross, the highest military distinction.

When the British tanks made their first appearance on the Somme front at Fiers, the Germans in the first trenches were consternated at the sight of the fearful looking, fire-spitting smashers. One holed: "The devil is coming!" and the rest scattered. The tanks gained the trenches, broke the first line and reached Fiers. But meanwhile the artillery in the second line had got the range on them and a few well-directed shots blew up the British monsters, the men serving them perishing in the heaving flames. Since then very little has been seen of them, as a correspondent of Prince Rupprecht's headquarters writes.

It is reported from a Warsaw, that Archduke Karl Stephan of Austria has been chosen as regent of Poland, who will probably be elected king when peace is made. He is chief admiral of the Austro-Hungarian fleet and 56 years old. Two of his daughters are married to Polish princes, Radzivil and Czartoryski.

The German Colonial Office has published a statement that at the occupation of the Kamerun Colony in Southwest Africa the British, contrary to the Hague convention, killed almost the entire white population, men, women and children, in concentration camps, just as General Kitchener did during the Boer war.

The supply of ammunition for the Russian army, by way of Archangel, on the Arctic Sea has ceased, as the harbor is frozen up. Russia is now dependent upon Japanese and American munition over the endless Siberian railroad. General Brussloff has on his Galician front, 12 army corps of ten regiments each, about 350,000 muskets, for which he needs a million rifle and machine gun cartridges per day, according to the calculation of an Austrian staff officer. From this we can figure what the Russians need for ten such units. In their Verdun offensive last spring the Germans fired five million shots in two weeks, and it required 25,000 ammunition cars to bring the supply to the front.

An American eye-witness of the destructive munition explosion on board of seven ships in the harbor of Archangel some weeks ago, writes to a New York paper that the principal damage was done by the conflagration on the wharfs. Fifteen squares of docks, with warehouses filled to the top with arms and ammunition, which had accumulated on account of traffic stagnation, were burned to the ground. The loss is incalculable. Over 300 people were killed.

The German secretary for foreign affairs, Dr. Zimmermann, has informed the editor of the Jewish Chronicle in New York that the new constitution for Poland gives the Hebrew population a far-reaching self-government in municipal and cultural affairs and the right to develop their own system of education. Poland has a number of purely Jewish cities. The principal ones are the big factory towns of Lodz and Kalisch.

This is Christmas week and the message of peace has gone out to all who are of good-will. But it meets with no response in enemy cabinets. No good-will to take the hand Germany has proffered to end the world strife and slaughter. Her propositions are more than fair for a victor. No war victim, who to the vanquished, no annexation of enemy territory to speak of. Yet they are scorned by the enemy in high office, even at home objected to by an unreasonable opposition. The war is to go on to such end as the suffering peoples will make of it. It is idle to philosophize about what desperate and designing politicians say of it to save themselves. The world is the arbiter.

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No two speakers are alike, and no speaker can successfully imitate another. Each man must be himself.

Nature has her cyclones, her deafening thunder, her blinding lightning, her belching volcanoes and her earthquakes.

Sunday is a natural sort of man; why should those who imitate the gentle zephyr find fault with him because the hurricane is more to his liking? The fact that he patters after the more violent manifestations of God's power may account for the tremendous impression that he makes upon his

audience, for is not man impressed by ruggedness?

And his language is undignified, they say. Well, it is unusual at times. He uses slang phrases, but a phrase that begins as slang often earns a place in our language by its forcefulness. The purpose of argument is to persuade, and how can an argument persuade unless it is understood?

Some people speak over the heads of their auditors. What shall I profit a preacher if he uses the whole dictionary and loses the soul that he is trying to save?

Shall we put a higher estimate upon form than upon substance? Language is intended to convey thought; if a sinner can be aroused by a slang phrase is it not better to use the phrase than to delight his ears with euphonious words while he walks the road to ruin?

If Mr. Sunday's language seems abrupt at times, and even impolite, it must be remembered that the Master in whose name he preaches used strong language. "Scribes, Pharisees, hypocrites," were not eulogistic terms nineteen hundred years ago; "whited sepulchre" was not a conciliatory description; "ye serpents, ye generation of vipers," was not even then a customary salutation at social gatherings. The 23d chapter of Matthew alone furnishes enough epithets to shock any minister who considers it his duty to palliate social sins and soothe the conscience of the evil doers in his congregation.

Even "hell," in referring to which Billy Sunday sins most frequently against so-called dignity and alleged good taste, does not sound as bad as it would feel. It is better to hear it than to endure it hereafter. He gets the word from the Bible, where it is frequently mentioned, and mentioned quite pointedly, too. Christ asks: "How can ye escape the damnation of hell?" We are even told that it is better to pluck out an eye or cut off a hand, if they offend, rather than the whole body be cast into hell. "Liar" is not a complimentary term, but

there is Bible authority for the use of it to describe the man who says that he loves God but hates his brother.

But why give so much attention to the thorns upon the stem and so little to the rose? Mr. Sunday's critics are so busy finding fault with an occasional phrase that they have no time left to consider the message that he delivers to his audience. What if he does jump too high, or run too fast, or come too near exhaustion in the expenditure of physical energy; should that blind any reasonable person to the beneficent influence of his sermons?

And what if he does use language that grates upon the ear, if by use of it he can tear his way through the outer covering of the heart and touch the life spring?

To take an illustration from the diamond: What if he does twist the language and curve his sentences, if by so doing he can make the devil strike out?

Those who overlook the good that he does and see in him only an acrobat and a slang monger, should read what was once said of certain blind guides "which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel."

"Chicken Come Home to Roost" is the title which Sunday gives to his sermon to men, which is only an epigrammatic way of paraphrasing numerous passages in the Bible conveying the same thought. The warning is conveyed in the commandments: "For I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children even unto the third and fourth generations of them that hate me."

No man has ever elaborated this thought more carefully than Mr. Sunday or fortified it more forcefully. In the course of this address he inveighs vehemently against swearing, and Boston will hear less of profane language because of this Sunday campaign. When he has finished his indictment of the oath there is nothing more to be said. His plea for cleanliness of speech is alpha and omega on this subject.

His attack upon the sin of the

libertine is a complete indictment, the counts including the sears upon the body as well as the blows upon the soul. The comparison which he draws between the Jukes family and the Edwards family is a classic in rhetoric and a battering ram in energy. If any one doubts that Mr. Sunday possesses oratorical ability of a high order he should hear that sermon and learn how skillfully an argument can be built up—how artistically a climax can be constructed.

Perhaps in no sermon does he display a wider range of humor, pathos and invective, and that the blows tell is proven not only by the applause which punctuates the address, but more conclusively by the stream of men who are brought to a decision by his appeal.

A picture on canvas could hardly depict more vividly before a father the crime which he perpetrates upon his children, born and unborn, by licentiousness and debauchery. Many an auditor stands aghast as he looks upon this verbal photograph of himself. He sees that what he has regarded as "manliness" is but miserable weakness, and that a profession of faith which he has regarded as "weakness" is really a manifestation of manhood and moral courage. It is the kind of a sermon that closes the avenue of retreat and compels surrender.

Mr. Sunday makes religion a practical, every-day thing—not a visionary something vaguely related to a future life. What does it mean to a community to have hundreds, not to say thousands, of its citizens started into conviction and driven to repentance and an upright life? What does it mean in dollars to this generation and to the generations that follow? And if it is difficult to cast up the account in dollars, who will undertake to estimate the moral value of such an appeal delivered to 17,000 men in an afternoon, and then repeated at night in order to accommodate a new audience?

WAR

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from the Germans in General Nivelle's victory on the Verdun front, as counted up to the present, is 80, according to the latest reports reaching Paris.

The French plan of attack was drawn up by General Nivelle, now the commander-in-chief, with the concurrence of General Petain, who, at the time, was his superior officer. The assault proper was left to General Mangin. It was made by five divisions, or close to 100,000 men.

Behind that line, General Nivelle had distributed groups of powerful batteries which for 70 hours before the attack, hammered the German positions, particularly those on Pepper Hill and Harcourt and Besnonvux.

Promptly at 10 a. m. the five attacking divisions, each of which covered a front of one and one-quarter miles, advanced behind the screen fire of all calibers of guns. They swarmed rapidly into the German trenches. The German troops in these positions, surprised by the suddenness of the attack, offered comparatively little resistance. As they rushed to the attack, the soldiers cheered and from time to time the Marseillaise coming from the strong-throated poles, could be heard above the chorus of the cannon.

With Vacherauxville and Pepper Hill lost, it became evident to the Germans that resistance would be futile and they retired in fairly good order. On the Vacherauxville-Besnonvux road, however, French troops suddenly appeared in the rear of the Germans. On seeing the French, the Germans bolted, throwing away rifles, knapsacks and pouches. From the top of the hill, the French could see them running and shouting with joy they dashed after them.

Half an hour later, the French reached the extremity of the Louvemont crest, close to the village of the same name. They joined hands with the formation which started from Harcourt wood and had progressed almost as rapidly along the eastern side of Pepper Hill and the Bras-Louvemont road. Louvemont was stormed out of hand and a large contingent of prisoners was rounded up. By this time the Germans were surrendering freely all along the line and the communicating trenches were choked with prisoners going to the rear.

East of Louvemont, another division reached the Louvemont-Azannes road but here again the Germans went down before the vigorous efforts of their assailants, abandoning the ground and leaving many dead and several hundred prisoners.

The advance swept on over Hill 372 as far as Chambrette farm, at the other edge of Fosse wood and carried it.

Northeast of Douaumont, the advance of the French troops was equally rapid. Harcourt wood, partly demolished by shell fire, could give no support to the German formations which fell back upon it in disorder.

Everywhere, the French had

showed splendid form and nothing could stop them. Nothing went wrong to interfere with their plans. By 11 o'clock 20 guns had fallen into the hands of the French; by noon 40 guns; by 5 o'clock, 75 had been counted, exclusive of those destroyed. Having accomplished the task set for him, General Mangin sent out exploring parties everywhere with instructions to destroy as many guns as possible and to come back to the newly conquered lines when their work was done. The scouting parties acted promptly and accomplished much.

The French front now follows a line running from the north of Vacherauxville along the Vacherauxville-Ville-de-Vant-Chaumont road to the extremity of the Louvemont crest, passes on the other side of Fosse wood then before Chambrette, and, crossing Caucieres wood, goes to the north village and as far as Vaux, the new line follows approximately the Rezonvaux-Damloup road.

NEW OFFENSIVE

London, Dec. 16.—British troops have taken the offensive in the region of Kut-el-Amara, in Mesopotamia, and have occupied Turkish positions on the Tigris south of Kut-el-Amara, says an official statement issued today. In the offensive movement the British crossed to the right bank of the Tigris river and took trenches near Kalarahji Fahir, two and a half miles from Kut-el-Amara.

UNRESERVED ACCEPTANCE
Paris, Dec. 16.—An official telegram announcing that Greece had accepted unreservedly the conditions of the allies, was received at the foreign office at midnight, according to the Petit Journal.

London, Dec. 16.—According to an Athens dispatch to Reuters, Greece has replied to the allies ultimatum by saying that it accepts the demand made on it, as it is desirous of giving another manifest proof of the sincerely friendly sentiments which have always animated it toward the entente. The reply says that no hostile movement of troops have ever taken place or been projected and that the transfer of material northward will immediately cease. Orders have already been given, it is stated, regarding the movements of troops and material and will be carried out as rapidly as possible.

In respect to the attack on Athens and French marines in Athens on December 1, the government declares that it desires to give every legitimate satisfaction and refers to its proposals to arbitrate. It expresses the hope that the allied powers will reconsider their decision to continue the blockade, which, it says, is straining relations and impressing public opinion. The reply concludes with the expression of a desire by the government and people of Greece for a resumption of the excellent traditional confidence which previously existed between Greece and the entente nations.

TEUTONS ADMIT LOSS

Berlin, Dec. 16.—(By Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Violent artillery fighting occurred in Belgium yesterday, it is announced officially. Southeast of Zillebeke, the German troops advanced to the second British line, whose defenders, the statement says, fled. On the Verdun front the French drove the Germans from advanced positions east of the Meuse. The Teutonic forces in Rumania are continuing their advance all along the front. Two thousand more prisoners have been brought in. In Dobrudja, the Russians have retired.

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that the notes of the central powers proposing a discussion of peace to the entente allies will be sent forward by the American government acting as intermediary without any accompanying mediation offer of its own. He has not determined whether any action in behalf of peace will be taken on later by the United States on its own account, but is holding himself in readiness to serve in any way possible toward bringing the warring nations together.

The course to be pursued was made known last night, after the president had conferred with Secretary Lansing and after a prolonged cabinet meeting. It was stated that the delay in forwarding the notes to the entente allies was due to the fact that the messages received from Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey, identical in substance, differed slightly in phraseology as a result of different translations. They probably will be put on the cables tomorrow.

DUMA OPPOSES PEACE

London, Dec. 16.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Petrograd says:

"The Duma has unanimously passed a resolution against the acceptance of the German peace proposals, after a spirited speech by the Minister of Foreign Affairs."

The text of the resolution, as received here, follows:

"The Duma, having heard the statement by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, unanimously favors a categorical refusal by the allied governments to enter, under present conditions, into any peace negotiations whatever."

"It considers that the German proposals are nothing more than fresh proof of the weakness of the enemy and a hypocritical act from which the enemy expects no real success and by which it seeks to throw upon others the responsibility for the war and for what happened during it, and to exculpate itself before public opinion in Germany."

"The Duma considers that a premature peace would not only be a brief period of calm, but would involve the danger of another bloody war and a renewal of the deplorable sacrifices by the people. It considers that a lasting peace will be possible only after a decisive victory over the military power of the enemy and after definite renunciation by Germany of the aspirations which renders her responsible for the world war and for the horrors by which it has been accompanied."

EXPLOSION WRECKS AN OIL PLANT

Wood River, Ill., Dec. 16.—Two men were killed and several others were injured in an explosion that wrecked two refining stations of the Standard Oil company here early today. The explosion was followed by a fire which for a time threatened ten large tanks filled with oil. The shock was felt for 15 miles.

BAN ON CAKES AND CANDIES

Rome, Dec. 16. (Via Paris)—A decree has been issued forbidding for two weeks the manufacture of candies or cake or their transmission by the post or railroad. The decree further forbids hotels to serve meals containing more than one meat course. The decree will prevent the sending of an enormous number of Christmas dainties intended for the soldiers at the front.

Opposing Increase In Demurrage

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—Ohio shippers and consignees represented by the traffic managers of Chambers of Commerce at Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland, today asked the state public utilities commission today the proposition of Ohio railroads to increase demurrage charges as a means of relieving the car shortage in Ohio. Representatives of the shippers today told the utilities commission that the railroads themselves were in large measure to blame for the car shortage because of the slow movement of cars.

Guy M. Freer, represented Cincinnati shippers; D. F. Hard was here for the Cleveland shippers, and J. G. Young for the Columbus shippers.

TUBE WORKERS GET INCREASE

Lorain, O., Dec. 16.—A 10 per cent increase in wages for several thousand employees of the National Tube Co., a U. S. Steel corporation subsidiary, effective yesterday, will add over \$500,000 to the yearly earnings of Lorain working men.

TO PAY BONUS

Tiffin, O., Dec. 16.—Employees of the Webster Mfg. Co., were notified today that a nine-hour schedule at proven wages will become effective January 1. The plant is now working 50 hours a week. A 15 per cent bonus to factory hands and a 10 per cent bonus to office employees, foremen and sub-foremen will be paid this month.

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CREW LEAVING U. S. S. SUMNER

New York, Dec. 16.—Two boatloads of the crew of the army transport Sumner, which grounded off Barnegat, N. J., Sunday night, were taken off early today and calls have been sent to Barnegat for lifeboats to take off the remaining men. Heavy seas are causing the transport to pound

heavily on the shoal and the Sumner was leaking so badly shortly after midnight that the pumps and wireless were put out of commission.

In addition to those taken off this morning, some of the crew were taken aboard the army transport Kilpatrick and brought here last night.

M'LEAN WANTS THE AGREEMENT RATIFIED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Edward B. McLean, son of the late John R. McLean, Washington and Cincinnati publisher, and the executors of the McLean estate, today asked the local supreme court to ratify an agreement which would end the suit brought by young McLean to break the terms of his father's will.

The agreement proposes that McLean shall have complete control of the income from the McLean fortune and be recognized as the head of the Cincinnati Enquirer and the Washington Post.

Under the terms of the will, McLean was to have received a minimum of \$25,000 a year from his father's estate and the management of the properties was left almost entirely to trustees.

In the agreement which the court was asked to ratify today, McLean would receive an income estimated at from \$700,000 to \$1,000,000 a year and stipulates

that the executor and trustees will at all times consult with him on the management of the estate and afford him free access to its books.

DIRECTORS ELECTED

Directors for the coming year were elected by the stock holders of the Masonic Club Friday evening at the annual meeting. Those elected are: L. W. Bragdon, William E. Clayton, D. A. Grimes, W. B. Hosz, John A. Ives, Harry Johnson, O. C. Sprague, Henry Scott, Jr., and W. F. Zoltmann.

If you have a room which is not occupied you should be using TIMES WANT ADS.

The Most Suitable Gift Possible Would Be That Reo the Fifth She Has Wished for So Long

FOR SEVERAL REASONS this will be not only the ideal Christmas gift, but this is the ideal time to buy a Reo.

FOR ONE THING—though you need not let on to her—you will derive just as much pleasure from it as she will. Not more—that would be impossible.

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BUYERS ARE HUNGRY then for any old kind of a car—but dealers are hungry only for new ones.

THERE'S THE TIME to advertise your used car, sell it for cash, and realize more for it than you can possibly do by trading.

OH, OF COURSE YOU MIGHT get what looked like a liberal allowance for it in trade for some unknown "assembled" or "orphan" car. But experience has proven to you that that's just one way of short changing yourself.

SUCH A CAR is dear at any price—if you could make an even trade still you'd get the worst of it—as you'd find when the upkeep and repair bills came in.

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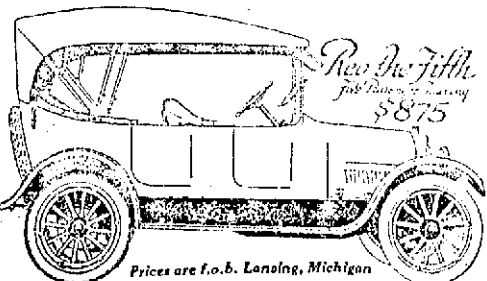
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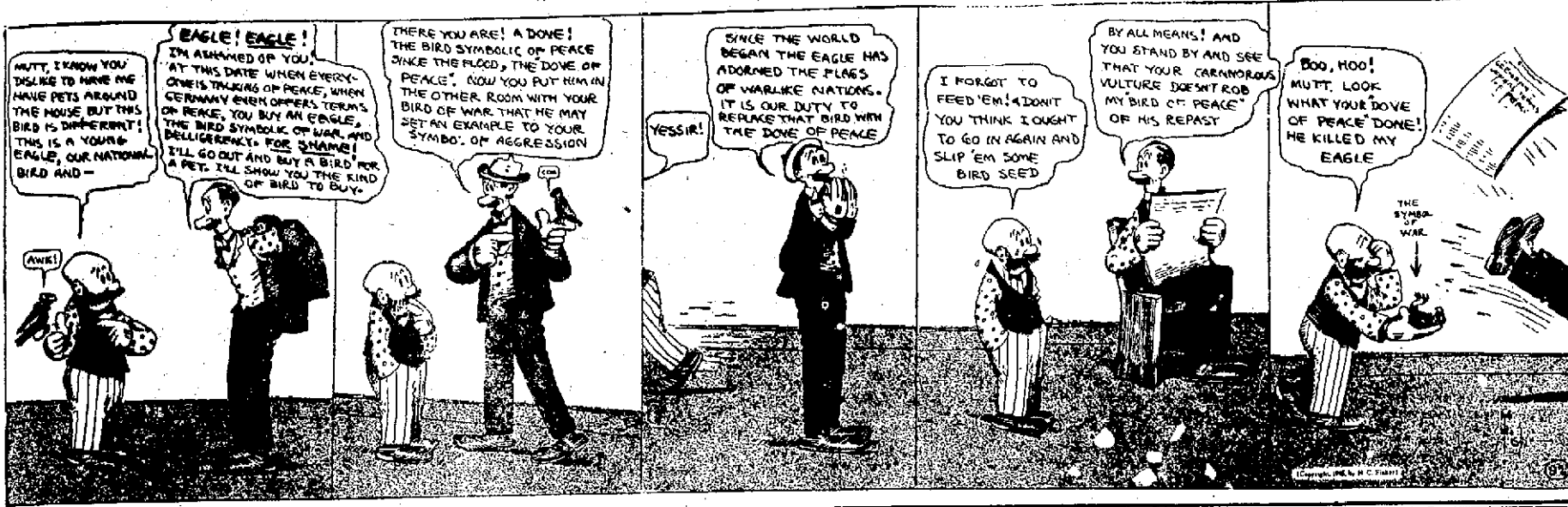
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MUTT AND JEFF

THE DOVE OF PEACE SOMETIMES SAVES HIS "PIN FEATHERS"

By BUD FISHER



yet is suffering from a famine. Different causes have contributed toward it, mainly the want of food labor. England is no better off than Russia today.

Dublin and Cork papers announce that there is a shortage of foodstuffs, especially of potatoes, which in many places have been attacked by a blight. At the same time Secretary Foster has declared in the British parliament that the government was considering the advisability of commandeering the potato crop as it did in 1847. The Cork Examiner says: "The potato question is giving enormous anxiety."

For the mapping out and the general direction of the victorious Rumanian campaign, Emperor William has conferred upon General Hindenburg, as chief of staff, the grand cross of the Iron cross, the highest military distinction.

When the British tanks made their first appearance on the Somme front at Fiers, the Germans in the first trenches were consternated at the sight of the fearful looking fire-spitting monsters. One hollered: "The devil is coming!" and the rest scattered. The tanks gained the trenches, broke the first line and reached Fiers. But meanwhile the artillery in the second line had got the range on them and a few well-directed shots blew up the British monsters, the men serving them perishing in the heaving flames. "Since then very little has been seen of them, as a correspondent at Prince Rupprecht's headquarters writes.

It is reported from a source that Archduke Karl Stephan of Austria has been chosen as regent of Poland, who will probably be elected king when peace is made. He is chief admiral of the Austro-Hungarian fleet and 56 years old. Two of his daughters are married to Polish princes, Radzivil and Czartoryski.

The German Colonial Office has published a statement that at the occupation of the Kamerun Colony in Southwest Africa the British, contrary to the Hague convention, killed almost the entire white population; men, women and children, in concentration camps, just as General Kitchener did during the Boer war.

The supply of ammunition for the Russian army, by way of Archangel, on the Arctic Sea, has ceased, as the harbor is frozen up. Russia is now dependent upon Japanese and American munition over the endless Siberian railroad. General Brussiloff has on his Galician front, 12 army corps of ten regiments each, about 350,000 muskets, for which he needs a million rifle and machine gun cartridges per day, according to the calculation of an Austrian staff officer. From this we can figure what the Russians need for ten such units. In their Verdun offensive last spring the Germans fired five million shots in two weeks, and it required 25,000 munition cars to bring the supply to the front.

An American eye-witness of the destructive munition explosion on board of seven ships in the harbor of Archangel some weeks ago, writes to a New York paper that the principal damage was done by the concussion on the wharfs. Fifteen squares of docks, with arm warehouses filled to the top with arms and ammunition, which had accumulated on account of traffic stagnation, were hurled to the ground. The loss is incalculable. Over 300 people were killed.

The German secretary for foreign affairs, Dr. Zimmermann, has informed the editor of the Jewish Chronicle in New York that the new constitution for Poland gives: the Hebrew population a far-reaching self-government in municipal and cultural affairs and the right to develop their own system of education. Poland has a number of purely Jewish cities. The principal ones are the big factory towns of Lodz and Kalisz.

This is Christmas week and the message of peace has gone out to all who are of good-will. But it meets with no response in enemy cabinets. No good-will to take the hand Germany has proffered to end the world strife and slaughter. Her propositions are more than fair for a victor. No one victim, too to the vanquished, no annexation of enemy territory to speak of. Yet they are scorned by the enemy in high office, even at home objected to by an unreasonable opposition. The war is to go on to such end as the suffering peoples will make of it. It is idle to philosophize about what desperate and designing politicians say of it to save themselves. The world is the arbiter.

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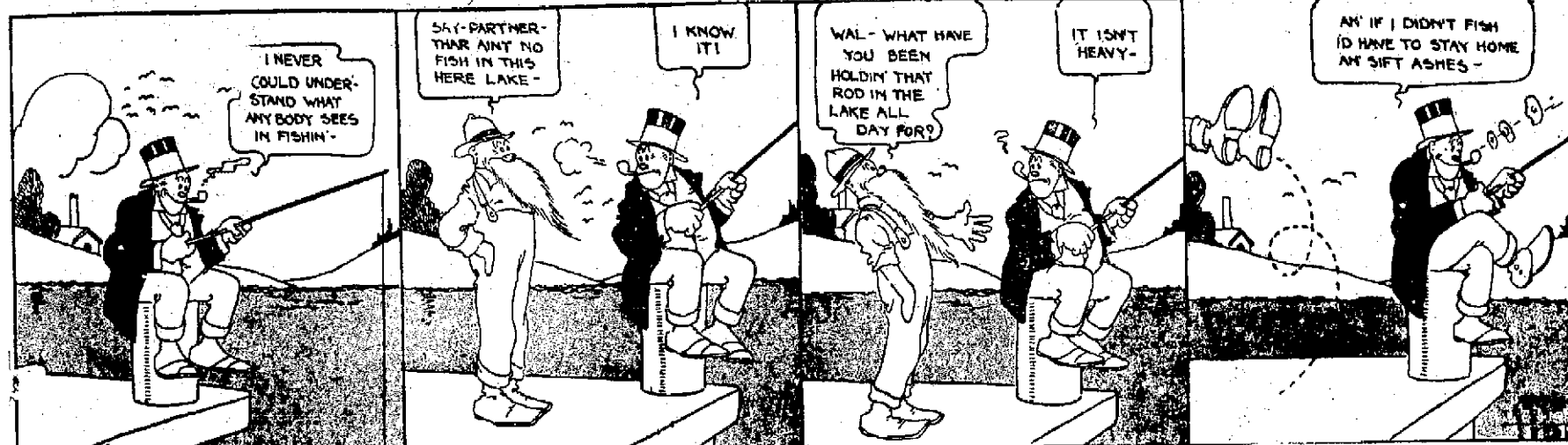
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BRINGING UP FATHER

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Local German's View Of European War

(Written by Louis F. Korth, former Editor of The Correspondent.)

Friday, December 15, 1916. In spite of the worst kind of winter weather, which has turned the Wallachian clay into mud and mire, and made the primitive roads almost impassable for the artillery, General Mackensen is

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steadily pushing the pursuit of the retreating Rumanians to the Buzeu (Bodza) river, the frontier line of Southern Moldavia. Berlin reports that they made a stand on the Yalomitza, about 50 miles north of Bucharest, but were defeated after a sharp fight. By late advices Mackensen's cavalry had reached Mesil on Wednesday, only 30 miles south of Buzeu, junction of the Ploesti and Braila railroads and is threatening the Russo-Rumanian communications.

Sofia states that a division of the Bulgarian-Dobruja army crossed the Danube at Silistria and after driving the Rumanians out of Kalarasi and Pesteti, the western end of the big Tehernavoda viaduct, crossed the Yalomitza to the right of Mackensen and is marching north to join him on the Buzeu, thus cutting off the Rumanian forces yet in the Danube valley.

Mackensen's left, which advanced direct from Ploesti, seems to be halting for the moment on the Cricio river to allow center and right to come up if we understand Berlin advices right. Petrograd says they met a stubborn resistance here. The Russo-Rumanians are evidently trying to hold the ground between Cricio and Buzeu as a glacis until their entire army is safely behind the

new line.

Most of Wallachia, nearly two-thirds of Rumania, is now in the hands of the Central Powers.

Meanwhile the Russians continue to exercise an immense pressure in Northwestern Moldavia, the Bukovina and the Carpathians on the Germans to relieve their unfortunate. Every day brings new reports of heavy Russian attacks upon Arz and Koewess in the passes and the Bistritza and Trotus valleys. Petrograd is persistent in its claims of success on the Trotus, but Berlin says: "All attacks have failed so far. They are without effect upon our operations in Wallachia."

According to yesterday's despatches Hungarian cavalry has appeared at Tisin in the Upper Buzeu Valley and is threatening the southern gate of the Buzeu pass, held by the Russians. If they should take the pass it would open a road for the Austrian forces east of Kronstadt from the north to Buzeu and the Rumanian communications of their new line.

Today's despatches say that Buzeu has fallen. The Germans crossed the river, destroyed the railroad to Braila and Galatz and are in the flank of the Russians to the west.

In Russian military circles the fear is expressed that General Mackensen may cross the Sereth

before General Brussiloff can assemble troops enough to oppose him which would endanger the whole southern front of the Russians. And if he should be able to force the Pruth they would have to abandon Galicia and Bukovina to protect Bessarabia and their lines to the Dniester and Odessa.

The German chancellor said in his peace-declaration in the Reichstag that Rumania had entered the war with the purpose of rolling up the German lines in the east. Instead of the German-Austrian lines the Russo-Rumanian lines are now being rolled up.

The German war office announced on Tuesday that on his advance General Mackensen had taken another 10,000 prisoners on the Yalomitza. The total loss of the Rumanians in prisoners is given at 150,000, in dead and wounded at 250,000. 600 guns of all calibres have been captured. What the victors took in grain and produce is described as enormous. Petrograd claims that the retreating Rumanians drained all the oil reservoirs in the Ploesti petroleum region, but Berlin says they did not have time enough in their precipitate flight to do much harm.

On the Monastir front the Entente forces are unrelenting in their efforts to break the German-Bulgarian lines on the Cerna,

keeping the poor Serbians in the van. Berlin says: "They suffered another defeat on Monday, with very heavy losses in attacks on both banks of the river to no purpose. The Macedonian front has lost all military value since the Germans opened a new road to Constantinople through Rumania."

Winter seems to have brought operations on the western front to slow steps. Only the heavy guns are talking on clear days and the patrols are making their rounds and raids at night to reconnoiter and bring in prisoners from whom information may be gained. General Joffre, the old idol of the French masses, has been superseded in active command by General Nivelle of Verdun fame, the new idol of the same masses, to satisfy public clamor, nothing new in France. He now goes under the honorary title of chief commander but has no chief powers like Hindenburg. All reports are made to the secretary of war who with the war council has the general directive. (War councils have no good name in history.) This is interpreted as the first step in the new plan of operations for next spring, when General Nivelle will be heading the drive, for which the reserves are to be spared.

The French attacked on the right bank of the Meuse Thursday and Friday. Their first attacks were repulsed, but in the second they took Louvemont and the works around it.

In Greece it seems to have come to the point of head or break. Some time ago the French occupied Katerina on the gulf south-west of Saloniki against the protest of the commander of a small garrison. A few days ago a Greek army of 5,000 men, evidently assembled there for the purpose, attacked the French north of the town and recaptured it. King Constantine is said to have ordered the mobilization of the entire army after the allies demanded the demobilization of the loyal reserves and established their blockade. He has to protect the sovereignty of the state not only against the allies but also against the rebel army of Venizelos.

While agreeing to refrain from any unfriendly acts against the allies he demands unrestricted freedom of action in Old Greece, excluding Saloniki and Macedonia, withdrawal of the French troops from the Piræus, return of the Larissa railroad and the fleet, control of telegraph and telephone lines and lifting of the food blockade. These are his rights but the allies have the might. He will have to give in.

Coincident with developments on the Balkan are preparations along the Austro-Italian Trentino frontier for a renewal of the of-

tensive, that was checked by the exigencies arising from the Brusiloff drive in the early summer, and the appearance of Austrian troops in Southern Albania threatening the Italians at Avlona, combined with dangerous activity of the Albanian tribes which are friendly to Greece.

According to report of the German admiralty two big armed transports and munition carriers, which were escorted by destroyers, were sunk in the Mediterranean.

The German admiralty announces: "The British liner Caledonia tried to ram a German submarine on December 4th, but only damaged it slightly, whereupon the submarine torpedoed the steamer, a ship of 9,233 tons, used as a transport by the British. The captain of the Caledonia and two passengers, a British brigade commander and a staff officer, were made prisoners."

A German submarine torpedoed the French transport Alzerie on its voyage from Saloniki. The

military guard on board was taken prisoner.

Since the beginning of the war the British and French navies have lost 192 war vessels of 744,600 tonnage.

German naval experts conclude from the recent changes in British high commands, that Britain is about to begin a vigorous offensive on sea and man all merchant ships with far carrying guns fore and aft. So far England has kept her high sea fleet in seclusion at the Orkneys, so as not to expose the costly big sea fighters to the German submarine raids.

The same causes which led to the British cabinet crisis and severe upheavals have forced Premier Briand to reconstruct the French cabinet. Pichon wrote in the Petit Journal: "It is clear that the present situation cannot last. The censorship cannot prevent the truth from breaking through the clouds. There are spots where a clear sweep must be made. And Joffre was the first victim. Other changes have followed."

In submitting the budget for the first quarter of 1917, in the French chamber, M. Peret, the minister of commerce, stated that the war had cost France up to April 1, 72,000 million Francs and England 99,000 millions. If it lasts another year it will have cost France 190,000 million Francs. Deputy Brisson showed this by tables. It means ruin.

Exchequer Keeper Andrew Bonar Law announced in the British House of Commons, in a warning way, that the daily war expenses of Great Britain had risen to \$27,000,000. Bonar Law is considered the most conservative of the British ministers. It was hoped that he would succeed Asquith, but low influences, Northcliffe and the Times, who nowadays make public opinion in England, opposed him. He has demanded another million recruits and another war credit of two billions.

Premier Briand announced in the French chamber that the government was going to prohibit the sale of strong spirits, but not of wines and beer. In the larger German cities the American bar and English gin mill had to go two years ago, along with the Ruemmel-Kuiper. They were destructive of social life.

The Courant of Rotterdam fears a famine for all Europe, if the war continues. There is everywhere a scarcity of breadstuffs and fodder. Hog-raising has been given up by many farmers. They kill and sell their cattle because they are not able to keep it over winter.

Importation of foodstuffs has been largely reduced by the British blockade, which hits neutrals as much as belligerents; by the submarine warfare, the lack of tonnage and shortage of crops in America. Russia, the richest grain country in Europe, is exporting very little, and

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money. When Miss Bissell tried to convince the American Red Cross that this idea should be made national as a peace activity of that society, she met with opposition, but finally persuaded the authorities, with the result that an investment of a few hundred dollars, \$135,000 worth of seals were sold in 1908 and the great national campaign was launched. Since then the sale has gone forward by leaps and bounds, until now the Red Cross seal is an institution in the United States and offers to every one a chance to help in the people's fight against the Great White Plague. Last year over 76,000,000 seals were sold, and this year the American Red Cross and the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, who conduct the sale, are out for a 100,000,000 sale which resulted in \$3,000 clear or \$1,000,000 for the tuberculosis war.

Over \$3,250,000 has been raised by Red Cross Christmas seals in the last eight years.

The policy on which the sale is conducted is that the money, except for the deduction of legitimate expenses, shall remain in the community where the seals are sold.

Dear Miss Wise—I had a date to go to the picture show with a boy and he brought another girl along. He did not ask me if I cared and I didn't like it. Should I go with him again?

TROUBLED.

The boy regarded you as a very good friend or he would not have taken so great a liberty. He really should have asked your permission, but since he did not let it make any difference with your friendship.

Dear Miss Wise—Will you please tell me what would be nice to serve for an afternoon lunch.

A DAILY READER.

If you want something substantial why not serve sandwiches, pickles, or a salad, coffee and candy. Or you might serve tea and wafers or cream and cake.

Dear Miss Dolly Wise—I am a boy three years old and I am anxious for Xmas to come. I want a toy wheelbarrow and a red wagon. Do you think Santa Claus will bring both. Please publish this in the next Times so Santa will receive it. Thank you. MILLARD.

Sure he will and lots of other nice things, too.

Dear Dolly Wise—I am a girl of 18 and am coming to you for advice. I have been going with a young man and now he doesn't ask to take me home but writes me letters and tells me he loves me. Do you think he does. There is another boy here I would like to go with for company. What could I do to win his love. I don't care for the one I did go with from the way he does me.

ONE IN LOVE.

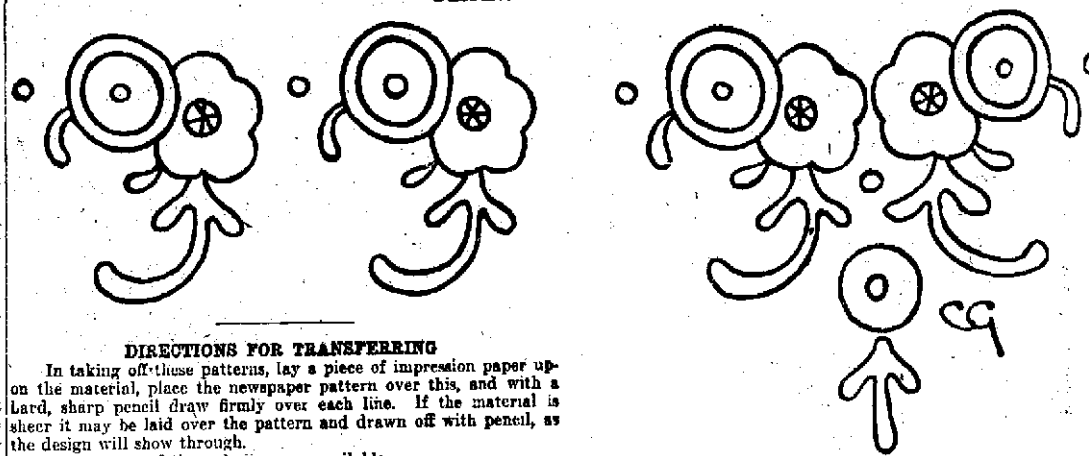
If you don't care for the first one, why do you want him to take you home? You can't do anything to win the second one except treat him the best you know how whenever you happen to meet him.

Dear Miss Wise—As you have helped so many others out I have come to you for advice. I am keeping company with two fellows and one of them my parents do not allow me to talk to and the other they think the world of him. They both seem to care lots for me but the one they don't want me to talk to I love him the best. Now which would you talk to if you were me. I am 18 years of age, and how long should I wear my dresses.

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If they are respectable boys there is no harm in talking to them occasionally if that's all you do. Wear your dresses to your shoe tops.

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The New Century Club will meet on Friday, December 22nd, in the Masonic parlors. The Christmas program, which will be in charge of Mrs. Geo. W. Grimes, includes a Christmas tree. Each member attending the meeting will provide a gift for the tree and also for any guests whom she may invite.

The program follows:

Song—Club.

Roll Call—Christmas Thoughts.

Talks, "Christmas in Other Lands"—Mrs. Jas. A. Hager, Mrs. Samuel Harchow, Mrs. W. B. Hopkins.

Solo—Miss Katherine Powell.

Reading, "How Did I Hear the Messiah"—Mrs. Floyd Fuller.

Recitation, A Christmas Selection—Little Miss Sara Louise Walker.

Music—Czerwinski Trio.

Reading, "The Best Christmas Story"—Mrs. Thomas Russell.

Club Christmas tree.

Don't forget the Christmas Story Hour at the Y. W. O. A. on Sunday, Dec. 17th, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. Reed and Miss Dawson will read. Program in charge of the House Girls. Every woman and girl in the city is cordially invited.

Mrs. Otto Coriell's mother and sister, Mrs. Henry C. Selb and Miss Ethel Selb, of Ironton, who have been spending a few days at Mrs. Coriell's home, left yesterday for Philadelphia to spend the winter with her sons, Dr. Henry Selb and Dr. Frank Selb, and will also visit her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Haller, at Coatsville, Pa.

Mrs. and Mrs. John Sowers and family will have as guests for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pfarr and children, Carrie Elizabeth, Selma Lindenmeyer.

Volins and Piano—Golden Sonata—Henry Parcell.

Large—Adagio—Allegro—Graves—Allegro—Czerwinski Trio.

The Woman's Literary Club held an enjoyable meeting yesterday afternoon in the club parlors, where an excellent program was presented, as follows:

Criticism—Mrs. Samuel Harchow, who also gave the origin of the names of flowers, laurel and myrtle.

Miss Leona Adams gave two beautiful piano numbers.

Rev. George P. Horst gave a talk on "Fun With the English Language," which was most enjoyable and very much appreciated.

Mr. Chris Hansen rendered two beautiful violin selections, accompanied by Mrs. Hansen.

Miss Leonora Allard gave two delightful readings, "Little Ghost's Xmas," and "She Stoops to Conquer."

Mrs. Fred Winter rendered two lovely vocal selections.

Mrs. Ida M. Turner read an excellent paper on "Efficiency in the Home."

This was guest day and there were many guests present to enjoy this excellent program, which ended with refreshments. The next meeting will be election of officers, January 5th.

Mrs. Nellie Connel has gone to Cincinnati to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charles Taggart, until the middle of next week, when she will be accompanied home by Mrs. Taggart and children, who will be joined here by Mr. Taggart for Christmas.

The Portsmouth Reading Club will be entertained next Monday evening at the home of Miss Ruth Thompson at "The Ridge."

Miss Violet Mathiot arrived home yesterday from Washington, D. C., where she attends school at Fairmont Seminary. She will remain at home until January second.

Mrs. B. F. Bennett, of Sixth street, Mrs. E. L. Taylor and Miss Anna Merrill, of Greenup, Ky., and Mrs. W. D. Secrest, of Argenton, Ky., left Friday for Tongs, Ky., to attend a week-end house party at the home of Mrs. N. H. Merrill.

Mr. Lucien Doty has been quite ill for several days at his home, corner of Fourth and Waller streets.

The Art Circle members will participate in a passing party next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John E. Williams.

Mrs. Charles Hauck came home today after a few days' visit with friends in Cincinnati.

Mrs. John Suter and children, John, Pearl and Helen, and her sister, Miss Helen Fischer, of Dayton, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Suter, of Mahoning Road. They will be joined here Christmas by Mr. Suter.

Miss Katherine Halderman is in charge of an excellent program to be presented by the Ladies' Musical next Monday afternoon, in the German Evangelical Sunday school auditorium, as follows:

Piano, "Ah Love But a Day"—Mrs. H. H. A. Beach—Mrs. H. C. Bugh.

Piano—En Route, Etude Artique, Op. 107—Benj. Godard—David Jones.

Reading, "Saunders McGlashen" by Kennedy—Mrs. Lena Kline Reed.

Piano—Drifting—Rudolf Friml—Selma Lindenmeyer.

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Criticism—Mrs. Samuel Harchow, who also gave the origin of the names of flowers, laurel and myrtle.

Miss Leona Adams gave two beautiful piano numbers.

Rev. George P. Horst gave a talk on "Fun With the English Language," which was most enjoyable and very much appreciated.

Mr. Chris Hansen rendered two beautiful violin selections, accompanied by Mrs. Hansen.

Miss Leonora Allard gave two delightful readings, "Little Ghost's Xmas," and "She Stoops to Conquer."

Mrs. Fred Winter rendered two lovely vocal selections.

Mrs. Ida M. Turner read an excellent paper on "Efficiency in the Home."

This was guest day and there were many guests present to enjoy this excellent program, which ended with refreshments. The next meeting will be election of officers, January 5th.

Mrs. Nellie Connel has gone to Cincinnati to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charles Taggart, until the middle of next week, when she will be accompanied home by Mrs. Taggart and children, who will be joined here by Mr. Taggart for Christmas.

The Portsmouth Reading Club will be entertained next Monday evening at the home of Miss Ruth Thompson at "The Ridge."

Mrs. R. O. LeBaron's pretty home on Second street was the scene of a delightful party yesterday afternoon, when she entertained at bridge followed by a tea, for friends who do not play cards. The first favor at cards was won by Mrs. Charles Hall.

Mrs. J. L. Watkins won the second and Miss Alice Dever the consolation, all being beautiful corsage bouquets of sweet peas and roses. Mrs. Josephine Murfin, of Ann Arbor Mich., was the only out-of-town guest. The interesting game of cards ended at four o'clock, when the guests arrived for tea. Delicious refreshments were served buffet, in the pretty dining-room. The table was a beauty with a large basket of red carnations and ferns finished with a red tulle bow on the handle, adorning the center of the table, and the candles were shaded with green.

All of the guests who came to attend the Adair-Drew wedding have returned to their homes, with the exception of Mrs. Katherine Cobb, of Covington, the Misses Grace and Charlotte Collins, of College Hill, and Miss Adelaide Reed, of Batavia, who are visiting Mrs. Drew, and Miss Dorothy Gates, of Cincinnati, a guest at the home of Mrs. Louis Spencer, who will spend a few days here.

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Miss Lucile Tracy is coming home this evening from the Baldwin-Wal-lace college at Berea, Ohio, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Tracy, of Waller street.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Connell, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. Fred Tynes since returning from their wedding trip, will go to house-keeping in their cozy flat on Fourth street the first of next week.

Mr. Price's class of Trinity Methodist Sunday school will participate in a passing party next Thursday evening, December 21st, at the home of Mrs. John Flood, on Sixth street. The assisting hostesses will be Misses Alice Gray and Ada Lang-mers, Mesdames Howard Miller and Gates Trout.

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BOUND OVER ON MURDER CHARGE

Grover Kennedy, who was arrested at South Point several days ago by Sheriff E. W. Smith and brought to the county jail on a charge of killing Charles Hill, a shanty-boat man, near Sciotoville, last summer, was given a preliminary hearing before Squire John W. Byron Friday afternoon on an affidavit charging him with murder in the first degree. Kennedy pleaded not guilty and was held to grand jury without bond. The fatal affray occurred last June. Hill, who lived on a shanty-boat near Sciotoville, had invited Kennedy to come down to Sciotoville and secure a position on the C. & O. N. Kennedy accepted the invitation and visited Hill and his wife. Then Hill became suspicious that his wife and Kennedy were becoming too intimate and returned home one morning and found the pair together, according to the information gathered by the officials. A quarrel ensued, during which Kennedy is said to have shot Hill and then made his escape.

WOODMEN TO HAVE A TIME

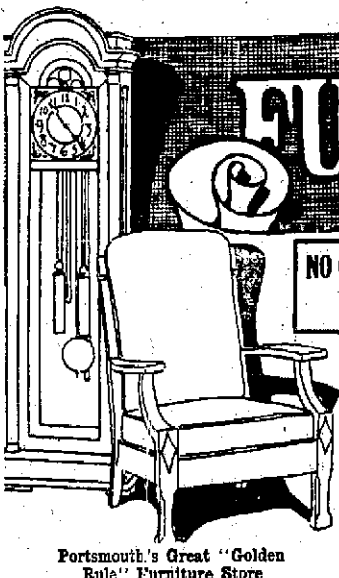
A movement was started Friday evening at the regular meeting of River City Camp No. 29, Woodmen of the World, to have the entire membership, which numbers 500, at the annual installation of officers, which will be held January 5. The committee appointed to make arrangements for this affair comprises: L. Lewis, C. C. Miltstead, Jacob Kah, L. J. Janotsky and Roy McElhenny. The ceremonies of initiation were conferred upon the following: E. E. Hanes, Edgar Gaines, Charles Fletcher, Harry Collier and Carey Moore. Five applications were received.

EVIDENCE IS GATHERED

Finding that the government will expect precedence, the police officials have deferred giving Ed Bond, Ed Bowman and Jeff Cooper a hearing for their local stealing. The three young men will first be tried for the alleged stealing of a laundry package consigned by Miss Audrey Nourse from Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware to her home here, and which was taken from a Parcel postman's bicycle. The Federal authorities at Cincinnati have been notified. Chief Clark stated Saturday that he had unearthed practically enough evidence to convict all three of the young men with the package stealing. Among the articles found by the police in searching the houseboat, where the trio concealed their loot, was a brand new revolver. They claim to have found the revolver alongside the shelter house of the York Place playground.


REALTY DEALS

M. P. Brown to A. W. Downard, 90 acres, Morgan township, \$1.
W. M. and Ella Cyrus to A. G. Henderson, 50.01 acres, Bloom township, \$125.
Henry T. and Jessie D. Bannon to Charles V. Wertz, lots 4 and 5, Bannon Place, \$1,500.
David E. and Keturah M. Thomas to Eunice Fleming, part lot 364, Canal addition, \$1.
Ben G. Harris et al to Albert M. Reiser, lot 49, Millbrook addition, New Boston, \$1.
Henry Shuler to John Kimbler, 13 acres Jefferson township, \$1.
Edward and Elizabeth Carmichael to Charles and Estella Addis, 40 acres, Bloom township, \$1.
G. M. Harris to George A. Bell, 120.9 acres, Clay township, \$1.
Emma Duncan to James H. and Dora Duncan, 6 acres Green township, \$1,600.
James W. Bush to George and Magdalene Russ, lot 30, Towne and McConnell addition, Sciotoville, \$1.
Walter and Maggie Neal to George W. Harris, 199.0 acres, Clay township, \$1.
Orel and Collie E. Dever to John E. Shoemaker, 30 acres, Madison township, \$225.
George and Ella Blakeman to Frank and Edith Blakeman, 53 acres, Jefferson township, \$500.



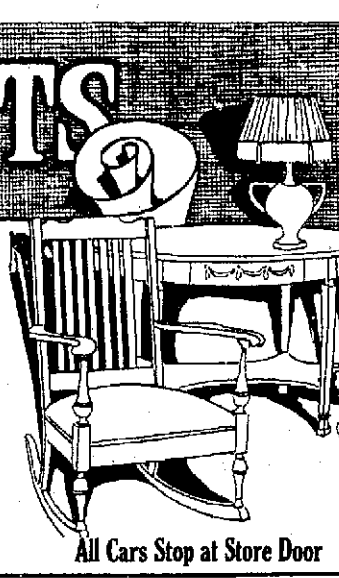
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FOR GIFTS

A suitable gift for each and every member of the family at STEINKAMP'S



FURNITURE for the bedroom, for the dining room, for the living room, for the hall, yes, for the kitchen, and as Christmas approaches, FURNITURE FOR GIFTS.

Furniture is ACTUALLY CHEAPER than the average Christmas remembrance even when you pay cash.—Think that over.—Remember, also, that your credit is good at Steinkamp's when you do not have money to pay all cash down. Come in and get holiday prices and see how much a little money WILL do. And about the value of the gift there's no argument. There's sparkle and cheer and heart-i-ness in a gift which fills so common a need in the sanctum called "Home."

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All Cars Stop at Store Door

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Five GREAT CHRISTMAS SPECIALS Which Go On Sale Monday Morning

Smoker Tray Set

Exactly Like Picture



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The base is rich, lustrous Mahogany finish and the ash receptacle of heavy clear moulded glass.

For those wishing a low priced, yet pretty Smoker Set, this will be very desirable. The quantity is limited, and we advise early purchase.

None delivered.

CHILD'S DESK AND CHAIR



\$1.75

For boys and girls. Exactly like cut. We deliver them.

We did not expect to sell these sets at so low price. Although ordered early, they just came in and we wish to move them out quickly. This Desk and Chair is bright furnished oak finish. They are very strong, being splendidly put together with screws. Lid raises disclosing roomy compartment for books and writing materials. At the price, it is much the best Desk and Chair special we have ever offered.

These will be delivered on regular trips. None will be sent out C. O. D. and no telephone orders will be accepted.

DOLL BED



49c

Like picture

Another gift that will delight the heart of any little girl receiving it. This bed is bronze finish and is fitted with mattress and pillow as shown. The beautifully trimmed canopy gives it a very pleasing effect. None of these will be delivered and no telephone orders will be accepted.

Semi Collapsible Doll Cart



98c

Better than picture indicates

All steel frame, two bow folding leatherette hood, adjustable back, rubber tired wheels. The biggest Doll Cart special in Portsmouth. Nine delivered.

High Chair

Like Cut Special



98c

A full size high chair. Table lifts, and when down can be locked in position. Golden finish, well made of seasoned material, strong and substantial. A limited quantity. Early purchase advised. You'll have to take them along, as none will be delivered unless other goods are going in same locality.

Brass, Iron and French Metal Beds



The best display we have ever made. You'll find here just the bed and just the price you wish to pay. All brass and F. M. beds are genuine Damard Lacquered and guaranteed not to tarnish. Will you need a bed for the holiday guest? It will be much to your advantage to visit Steinkamp's before you buy.

Large Size Pedestal

36 inches high. Special for Monday



\$1.55

Your choice of either Golden Oak or Mahogany finish. This is a better, tastier and prettier pedestal than the one offered last week. We are offering it especially for the benefit of the many who came too late to get one of the others.

No telephone orders taken. Delivered only on regular trips.

Elegant Smoker Sets

Priced at

\$1.48

And upwards



We are making a more complete and varied display than ever before. The one illustrated on right is turned oak finish with ash tray, cigar and match holder as shown. The other is all bright brass finish, with concealed ash tray, and automatic dump. A number of others from which selection can be made.

White Enamel and Ivory Finished Toy Furniture



Get the little girl a Dresser, China Cabinet, Kitchen Cabinet, Dressing Table, Desk, Dining Table or other piece of this beautiful furniture.

This is not doll furniture but the pieces are sufficiently large for your little girl to keep many of the little things she prizes so highly. You can't get an idea of their real beauty and utility unless you see this furniture.

The Best Display of Rockers



Solid Oak Rockers, with Spring and Seats and guaranteed upholstery are priced at

\$3.65

And upwards

Turkish Rockers, Push Button Morris Chairs, Mahogany Rockers, Fumed and Golden Oak Rockers, Parlor and Bedroom Rockers, big Rockers and little Rockers. We take pride in the superb and matchless showing of seasonable Rockers here. They make appropriate gifts.

We will be glad to have you inspect these. The prices will please. Terms to suit.

A New Range For the Kitchen



Perhaps you have been putting it off from day to day. Get wife a new gas or coal range for Christmas. She will appreciate it.

Fine Table Ranges Are Priced at... \$22.50

And upwards

Square ranges at much lower prices. You can arrange for easy payment terms.

Upholstered Fibre Reed Rockers

At prices ranging from

\$3.50

UPWARDS.



These Rockers are upholstered in Tapestry and the designs are unusually pretty. Fibre Reed furniture for inside use is growing in popularity daily. It is sensible, light, strong and pretty.

Our assortment is now larger than it ever has been at any time hitherto. It is good to look upon.

CHIFFOROBES



Solid Oak Chifforobes, or Gentlemen's Wardrobes, fitted with hangers, liberal drawer room, and large mirrors at

\$17.50

And upward.

More Chifforobes have been sold the past few months than ever before in the same length of time. More people are learning how really desirable they are.

They make much appreciated gifts. We will be pleased to arrange for easy payment terms if desired.

Reed Doll Carriages



In addition to the special Doll Cart illustrated above, we are showing a strong line of Reed Doll Carriages and Doll Perambulators. While not so low priced as the collapsible carts, yet they are sold almost as extensively. A good doll carriage is the source of lasting pleasure to every little girl who secures one. The prices are most reasonable. We have not space here to list and describe all, but cordially invite you to come in and examine them. You are sure to be pleased.

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PORTSMOUTH,
OHIO.

The Movies



Your Last Chance to See This Gem at Picture at Columbia tonight.

This is only one of the many beautiful scenes in "The Common Law," featuring Clara Kimball Young in her first special picture at the Columbia this evening.

In spite of the intense cold weather yesterday, the Columbia was crowded afternoon and evening to see this truly wonderful picture and the best of it all everybody was more than pleased and many expressed themselves that "The Common Law" was the greatest picture they had ever seen.

Tonight it will be shown for the last time and you had better avail yourself of this opportunity of seeing what is considered by the best critics, the best picture production of the entire year.

Next week's program is one of rare excellence, each succeeding day bringing some particular star in a special production.

Starting on Monday when you will see Norma Talmadge in "Fifty Fifty," showing this great star in one of her best efforts.

Tuesday brings the beautiful Emmy Whelan in "The Pretender," a five reel production of much more than the usual interest.

William Farnum in "The End of the Trail" is the big noise for Wednesday and in this picture the great Farnum establishes new records in pictures.

Il. B. Warner in "The Vagabond Prince" on Thursday, Thomas Santschi in "The Country God Forgot," on Friday and Florence La Badie in "The Shine Girl" on Saturday gives you a week's program that would be hard to beat anywhere.

night. Better yet is the comedy in the sleeping car and on the drawbridge which carries several struggling men high into the air in their "nighties." A strong comedy number, highly entertaining. "Little Brownie's Bravery" is a special one reel drama of tense interest. "Japan's Gateway to the Temple of Gods," is a Powers educational film, being one of the Dorsey travel pictures.

At the Strand

Manager Welch offers his patrons a six reel extraordinary program for five and ten cents. Thrilling dramas and side-splitting comedies make the program one of great entertainment. The leading feature is a two-reel drama, another chapter of "Liberty," that thrilling serial of Mexico and the Texas border. Movie fights and skirmishes make this chapter interesting. "Through Baby's Voice" is a two-reel heart interest Lammie drama. The pathos of this picture-play will touch your very heart-strings. "The Missing Witness" is one of those interesting Special Imp dramas with Imp stars playing the leading roles. "Safety First" is the title of another side-splitting screaming comedy, one that will set you wild with laughter. All for ten cents.

At the Temple

Seven big reels at the popular Temple tonight for five and ten cents. All feature show at bargain prices. "The Conflict" is the leading drama on today's program. It is a Selig drama in three parts featuring Selig stars. Another big feature for tonight is two reels of "The Yellow Menace" the gripping serial that is attracting thousands everywhere. Every scene of this big serial brings a surprise and sensation. "Dying Death" is an exciting Kalem drama featuring the Kalem heroine Helen Gibson, the railroad story queen. Then comes the concluding reel, a Vim comedy, with the usual Vim mirth producers bringing out laugh after laugh. "Furnished Rooms" is the title of this screaming photo-play. A seven reel show for five and ten cents.

Admits Guilt

Frank Robbins, who was charged with stealing 80 cents in change from L. B. Stevens, an aged brick-layer, at Billy Frederick's saloon, has, upon the advice of Attorney Nate Gilliland, whom he retained to defend him, decided to change his plea to guilty. Robbins has wired to his wife at Florence, Ind., for money, and in a reply message she has given assurance of coming to his assistance. The mayor expects only to impose a fine on Robbins, as he has expressed a desire to leave Portsmouth immediately, which will not cause the police officials any regrets.

Selling Lots

J. E. Jordan, local sales agent for the Glenwood Addition, New Boston, Saturday stated that lots in the addition this week were sold to F. W. Warner, Ida Rose, George W. Duver, Wm. Yos, James Young and A. Hoppes.

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Announcement

The company is still MANY THOUSANDS of cars behind in its orders—and is therefore shipping cars ONLY to Agents whose customers are WAITING for cars.

The demand will continue throughout the Winter in the South and Southwest.

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Floyd E. Stearnes, Rep.

Seven Taken To Pen

The population at the Ohio penitentiary and the Ohio State reformatory was materially increased Saturday when a squad of local prisoners was taken to Columbus and Mansfield by Sheriff E. W. Smith and Police Captain

Roma Walker. Those taken away were convicted on charges of carrying concealed weapons and were given indeterminate terms. The prisoners were: Floyd Bowman, James Early, Daril Burton, Hyman Taylor, James Van, Henry Davis and Hosea Grey.

BOSS TOMMY "DUDING UP"

Tom Albrecht, a popular former policeman, appeared in the shopping district Saturday for the first time

since leaving the force and was cordially welcomed on all sides. Tommy laid off from work at the Steel plant to invest in some new togs. "You see a boss has to have a decent suit of clothes. Yep, I'm a boss, now. I'm telling you right; ain't tryin' to fool you," said Tom. Tom is in charge of a labor gang engaged in unloading limestone at the mill for the extensive improvements under way there.

Alspuagh

A large selection of Rugs at special prices. adv 615

Paper was made from rags in Arabia more than ten centuries ago, the art being brought to Europe in the thirteenth century.

Arcade Is Opened

The Arcade saloon on Chillicothe street, near Fourth, was opened Saturday by Proprietor Gus Hoerner, who was formerly connected with the bar in the Washington Hotel building. Mr. Hoerner's new place is attractively equipped throughout. B. Bibbs, formerly of the Bank cafe, and George Clark are the bartenders. Edward Conwell will run the pool-room and E. C. Wallace has charge of the short order department attached to Mr. Hoerner's new place.

Cause and Effect. The man with the unbarbered hair snatched into the editorial presence while the office boy wasn't looking. "I have a little poem here," he began, "and I thought perhaps—" "Good!" interrupted the busy editor. "Have a chair, please, while I write you an order on the cashier for \$20." Whereupon he of the uncut hair dropped dead.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.



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A practical and useful gift that will answer for the entire year. A good Carpet Sweeper a big special at \$1.99. Our Torrington Model K combination Vacuum and Carpet Sweeper at \$5.50. Lady Torrington combination Vacuum and Carpet Sweeper at \$7.00. **ELECTRIC SWEEPERS.** The best low priced sweepers on the market, satisfaction guaranteed or machines returned. \$21.00, \$22.50 and \$30.00 each.

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Emmy Whelan in "The Pretender," Columbia Tuesday



Dainty Ann Pennington in "The Rainbow Princess," at the Lyric Tuesday.

One of the most decided hits made on Broadway this season was the Hula Hula dance which Ann Pennington contributes to the "Ziegfeld Follies." This picturesque Hawaiian dance has been incorporated in the Famous Players-Paramount picture, "The Rainbow Princess," in which Miss Pennington is starred. In order to make the scene as realistic as possible, a Hawaiian village was erected as a background for the dance and the celebrated Hawaiian orchestra which accompanies Miss Pennington on the stage was engaged to play for her during the filming of the dance for the screen. The mere fact that this is the most expensive Hawaiian orchestra in this country did not deter the producers from using the musicians, because it was felt that Miss Pennington would be more at home with the same accompaniment which she had had all season.

At The Exhibit Tonight

Manager George Law has one big feature for tonight's program. It is one of those big Bluebird productions and one of the latest releases. This Bluebird feature drama in five acts features the Bluebird Photoplay Company's star, Jane Gail, who plays the strong emotional role with ease, the part being fitted to her character playing "Hupert of Hentzau" is the name of this extra feature offering for today. "Hupert of Hentzau" is a beautiful production, based on the sequel to Anthony Hope's "Prisoner of Zenda." No doubt you have all read or heard of "The Prisoner of Zenda," but "Hupert of Hentzau" is even better, the scenes being more thrilling and exciting. See "Hupert of Hentzau" tonight for only ten cents.

At the Arcana

A two reel L-Ko comedy is the headline feature on tonight's program of four reels. "The Right Car But the Wrong Borth" is the title of this screaming comedy in which Da Russell and an able company produce the mirth. The fun in the first reel develops in a ladies' tailoring establishment where the philandering proprietor makes love to every woman in



A William Farnum Feature, Columbia Wednesday



Norma Talmadge in New Trianglo-Five Reel Feature "Fifty-Fifty," Columbia Monday

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Try to do your shopping in the mornings if possible and early in the week. It's to your own advantage to do so. Assortments are good right now.

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A pretty assortment of new patterns are here to choose from. Some are satin stripe crepes; some woven stripes in tans and whites and other designs that are exceptionally fine are here.

Prices Range From \$1 to \$1.50 Yd.

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A NEW RUG WILL PLEASE

and a rug such as you will find here will more than please your wife on Xmas morning. Come and see our assortment.

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SCHEDULE
FOR COURT
NEXT WEEK

The schedule for common pleas court during the coming week is:

Monday

Edith Asche against the County Commissioners, suit for \$1100, damages alleged sustained by the improvement of Gallia pike near Seiotoville. Milner, Miller and Searl represent the plaintiff and Millar and Micklethwait, the defense.

Tuesday

Albert Burris against T. S. Jewett, suit for \$10,000 damages alleged due in an automobile collision. Milner, Miller and Searl represent the plaintiff and Geo. W. Sheppard the defense.

Wednesday

James H. Green against the Stockham Company, suit for \$1,000 damages. Milner, Miller and Searl represent the plaintiff and Millar and Micklethwait, the defense.

George and David Bahner against the C. & O. N. railroad, suit for damages. Milner, Miller and Searl represent the plaintiff and Bannon and Bannon, the defense.

Gifts of Solid Gold

You will find in our store a wealth of suggestions for gifts in solid gold—many surprisingly low priced. ** Many people feel that the words Solid Gold carry with them a high price significance. ** In the following list you will be sure to find appropriate and becoming gifts at prices very conservative.

FOR 'HER' AND 'HIM'		
Dress Pins \$1.35 to \$6.50	With Diamonds \$12.50 to \$175.00	With Diamonds \$6 to \$60
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Cuff Buttons \$3 to \$5.50	With Diamonds \$4.50 to \$11.00	Plain Rings \$3.00 to \$8.00
Neck Chains \$3.50 to \$7	Cuff Buttons \$3.50 to \$7	Signet Rings \$5 to \$10
Thumb Pins \$4.50 to \$6.00	With Diamonds \$6 to \$30	Emblem Buttons \$0.50 to \$4.00
Set Rings \$2.00 to \$8.00	With Diamonds \$6 to \$30	Emblem Charms \$5 to \$35
Plain Rings \$2.00 to \$7.00	Scarf Pins \$1.50 to \$6.00	Emblem Rings \$7 to \$12
Pendants \$3.00 to \$8.00		Cost Chains \$6 to \$12
La Vallieres \$5.00 to \$10		

Albert Zoellner
Jeweler 3rd. and Chilli

Will Open Fine Vault
To Receive Ch. Money

In order to see that the \$3300.00 that is to be showered by the members of the First Christian church tomorrow morning, December 17, is kept in a place where moth nor rust shall corrupt, nor where thieves break through and steal, arrangements have been made with Henry Heer, cashier of the Security bank, to have the big time safe of that institution open at 11:45, when a delegation, consisting of Ben A. Leichter, financial secretary of the church, Gilbert Dodds, elder, and George Edwards, treasurer, will carry said money to the bank and deposit the same in the big vault. Ordinarily, the big vault is so "set" on Saturday that it will not open until Monday morning, but to accommodate the members of the church, Cashier Heer kindly consented to set the clock so the safe will open Sunday morning at 11:45.

Considerable interest has been aroused as a result of the big money shower, and it would occasion no surprise should a larger crowd than usual be present. That outside interest has been created is shown by the fact that a friend has presented Rev. Oakley with \$100.00, which will be applied on the church debt. Another person, not even remotely connected with the church, said he wanted to get in on the shower, as he wrote out his personal check for a nice amount and handed it to Rev. Oakley.

The money shower is set for 10 o'clock Sunday morning, or immediately at the close of the Bible study period, and it would occasion no surprise should the amount exceed \$3,300.00. It is going to be a gala affair, anyway you look at it and you are invited to come and see how happily and gladly the members of this particular church rally to her needs.

Immediately after the shower, and while the members' minds are drifting along financial lines, Rev. Oakley will deliver a sermon, the subject of which will be "Reasons for Adopting the Tithing System." In the evening his subject will be, "Why Some People Don't See God."

JUDGE A. Z. BLAIR IS 55

Judge A. Z. Blair was fifty-five years old on Wednesday, Dec. 13 and his birthday anniversary was celebrated Friday night with a dinner party arranged by Mrs. Blair. The guests were Judge James S. Thomas, Rev. George P. Horst, P. E. Selby, John T. Brown, I. R. Armacost, Judge Harry Ball and B. P. Kimble. Judge Blair was presented with a new hat by Mrs. Blair.

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

"How To Become A Christian" will be the subject of a special sermon by Rev. C. Lloyd Stocker, pastor of Trinity church next Sunday evening.

A prelude will be given by Mr. J. H. Finney, general agent of the Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa.

This is the third sermon of the series on the general theme, "Christianity on the Witness Stand."

The brief addresses by prominent laymen which have preceded the sermons of the last two Sunday evenings have proven very satisfactory and helpful.

All who are acquainted with Mr. Finney know his ability as a public speaker, therefore we have no hesitancy in saying that there is something especially good in store for those who hear him next Sunday evening.

The service begins at 7 o'clock. Attractive music is promised by the choir. Everybody is cordially invited to be present. The music for Sunday evening will be as follows:

Prelude, Intermezzo—E. Town and Wiffeld.

Autumn, Where He Leads Me—Edwards.

Offertory, Italian Serenade—E. Edwards at Cantata.

Quartette, God's Calling, Mozick—Miss Mills, Miss Stewart, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Metzger.

Rabbi In City.

Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Cincinnati, arrived in the city Friday and conducted his weekly services at the Jewish Temple, Friday evening.

Don't miss the chicken dinner at Poole's restaurant tomorrow, December 17. Only 25 cents.

Furey Heard From.

Barney Furey, who recently staged a series of boxing matches in Distel Hall, has been heard from.

Eddie Riley of the Senate Cafe stated Saturday that Furey called up from Columbus and assured him that what few obligations he had incurred here would be met as soon as he returned to the city in a few days.

Alspaugh

for a useful and durable Xmas present. Come early. adv 6tt

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

During the Advent the church directs the thoughts of all its children to the consideration of the great truths connected with the end of the world or the consummation of this age.

The pastor of All Saints' church will preach two sermons tomorrow dealing with the "Second Advent" and "The Judgment Day."

The teaching of the bible regarding the first of these great facts is by no means clear and is marked by apparent contradictions. It is important that you should know how the church interprets the scriptures and that

you should have as correct an understanding as is possible of what is meant by the Second Coming of Christ.

Both these sermons will be plain, straightforward expositions of doctrine. They will help you to understand things of vital importance. The music throughout the day will be in keeping with the Advent season. To reach All Saints' church leave the cars at Fourth and Chillicothe and walk two squares west to Court, or at Second and Court and walk two squares north to Fourth. The church is right on the corner of Fourth and Court.

SCIOTOVILLE AND WHEELERSBURG

SCIOTOVILLE

At last night's meeting of council plans were discussed for the paving of two streets in Sciotoville. Engineer George Wilhelm was ordered to bring in estimates on the paving of Jackson street and Broadway street. Solicitor Stanley McCall will bring in legislation for issuing paving bonds at the next meeting. After sufficient money is in the treasury plans will be made for the widening of Main street paving from 16 feet to 30 feet.

The annual Christmas school vacation will be from Friday, December 22, till Tuesday, January 2, giving the pupils a good ten day vacation.

Rev. Freeman Chase, pastor of the Baptist church, will deliver a sermon Sunday evening on "Modern Samsons," an unusual subject which promises to be very interesting. Mrs. Freeman Chase will deliver a talk to young people at the church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Powers, who has been ill at her home on Main street, near Market street, remains about the same. Mrs. Powers is suffering with infirmities.

Contractor Clark has about completed the brick work on the addition to the high school. The addition is to contain a large auditorium and several class rooms.

Mrs. E. E. Haegard's class of the M. E. church were entertained with a passing party at the home of Mrs. Haegard Friday evening.

Despite the weather almost the entire class was present. Mrs. Haegard served refreshments of sandwiches, pickles and lemonade during the course of the evening's pleasures. Games and contests of various kinds were indulged in.

WHEELERSBURG

There will be special orchestra music Sunday morning at the Bible school and morning preaching service at the M. E. church. The orchestra will be composed of home talent. Sunday school will start at nine o'clock and Superintendent George Koch is looking for a large attendance. Special features are being arranged for each Sunday morning.

Plans are being made for a several weeks revival that will start at the M. E. church about the second week Friday.

Athletic Association
Honors Football Team

The High School Athletic Association gave a reception in honor of the football team Friday evening in the High School gym. The evening's entertainment began with a program in the auditorium, later refreshments were served in the science department, talked on the lunch room and closed with a basket ball game between two teams picked from the best players in the school, excepting of course, the varsity. The committee in charge of the program and refreshments composed of Miss Dorothy Ayers, faculty member and chairman, Helen Dawson, Martha Phillips, Royal Marting, Howard Lowry and Cecil Tidd.

Howard Lowry, vice president of the association, announced the numbers of the program. The program was as follows:

Hungarian Concert Polka, piano solo, by Dorothy Kinsey.

"Message of Peace," vocal solo, by Winnie Krauser, accompanied by Dorothy Kinsey.

Aria from "Martha," cornet solo, by Howard Lowry, accompanied by Martha Phillips.

"The Irish Girl and the Telephone," reading by Hazel Eckhart.

"Memories," vocal solo, by Atlanta Willis, accompanied by Martha Phillips.

Solo Dance, by Mildred Brown, accompanied by Helen McCoy.

"Humoresque," clarinet solo, by Carmon Oakly, accompanied by Hazel Holmes.

"Christmas Carol," All Saints Girls Sextet, consisting of Harriet Thomas, Mabel Shaw, Dorothy Varner, Winnie Krauser, Katherine Hall and Elizabeth Mingo.

Every number of the program was exceptionally good, the dance by Mildred Brown deserving special notice. Miss Brown is a pupil of Miss Edith Britain, who has charge of the physical training in the high school.

After the program light refreshments were served in the lunch room to the association members, the football team and the faculty.

Cecil Tidd, president of the Senior class, lamented the accident that kept Hugh Higgins, a member of the football team, from being present.

Howard Lowry, a Sophomore, acted as toastmaster and acquitted himself with honors. Lowry made a witty and interesting toastmaster, keeping the diners in a continual state of laughter. Representatives from the four different departments of High School were called upon. Maurice Schapiro, representing the Latin department, gave a clever talk on "The Relation of Education to Athletics." Corwin Knowles, representative of the manual training department, gave this department's greetings to the football team in a bright and interesting

After the serving of refreshments all repaired to the gym, and there saw a fast game between two teams of P. H. S. students.

There were about 300 people present at the reception, which was an ideal success.

CLARA CROPPER, '19.

PEERLESS HAS FORTUNE TELLER,
SHE IS GENUINE RUMANIAN

A Rumanian woman styling herself Madame Morgan was granted a conditional license by the police Saturday to tell fortunes. An order was issued to the day police to arrest the woman if she forced her attentions upon anyone or otherwise annoyed citizens, the mayor declaring that any such offense she would be fined \$25 and costs.

Reservoir Completed.

The concrete work on the city reservoir which burst in October, 1913, Friday evening by the Curtis-Shumway Company, according to a statement made Saturday by W. O. Shively, who has been assisting with the work. It is expected that it will be filled the first of the year.

Meeting Postponed.

The Portsmouth Poultry and Pet Stock Association has postponed its next meeting until after the holidays when active steps will be taken towards arranging for the shows it is hoped to hold next year.

DODGE BROTHERS

MOTOR CAR

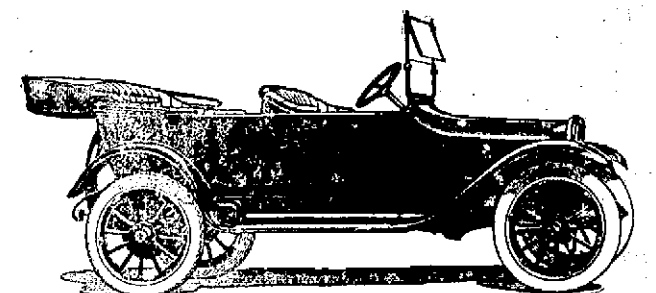
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It will pay you to visit us and examine this car. The gasoline consumption is unusually low. The tire mileage is unusually high.

The price of the Touring Car or Roadster complete is \$795 (f. o. b. Detroit).

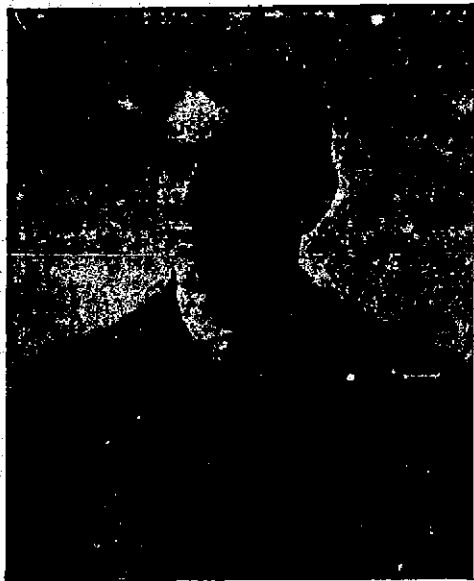
The price of the Winter Touring Car or Roadster complete including regular mohair top is \$950 (f. o. b. Detroit).



WM. J. FRIEL

734-736 FIFTH STREET

Charles A. Spratt Again Heads The Ben Hur Tribe



MR. CHARLES A. SPRATT

Charles A. Spratt was unanimously re-elected chief of Portsmouth Court, No. 109, Tribe of Ben Hur, Friday night, it being the fourth time that he was honored with the ranking post of the organization.

Other officers chosen at the election were the following:

William Belcher, past chief; Albert Nourse, judge; Thomas McLaughlin, scribe; George Koerner, keeper of tribute; Mrs. Hoyt Pansake, teacher; William Messier, captain; Fred Hasselmann, guide; Henry Cline, trustee; Miss Martha Trende, pianist; Ray Thompson, master of ceremonies; Ed Hoehel, enter door keeper; Mrs. Mary Galford, inner door-keeper.

The court voted a \$10 donation to the Community Bureau Service fund. Two new members were obligated at the meeting.

Chief Spratt appointed a committee to arrange for a "passing" party next Friday night. The following were also named by him to comprise the calendar committee which is to arrange for the weekly entertainment of the court for the next six months: William Belcher, chairman; George Emrich and Misses Cynthia Wonnack, Elizabeth Dietz and Clara McLaughlin.

Week's Demonstration

Believing that women are always interested in the art of sewing, even at the gladsome Yuletide season, The Samuel Levi Furniture Co., Gallia street, has arranged for a demonstration of the "Free" Sewing machine all of next week, both during the day and evening. The demonstration will be in charge of Mr. Powers, direct from the factory located at Rockford, Ill. Since opening

the store at this place, the Levi Furniture Co. has placed quite a large number of "Free" Sewing machines in this city, and without a single exception they have given the best of satisfaction. With each machine an absolute guarantee is given. The good women of Portsmouth are kindly asked to attend the demonstration, which opens Monday and which will last the entire week.

DEGREE TEAM CAPTAIN RESIGNS

H. E. Puckett, captain of the Modern Woodmen Degree team for six years, resigned at Friday night's meeting of the order. Mr. Puckett has been a member of the degree team for twelve years. His resignation is deeply regretted by the team members. A special meeting will be held on the first Thursday after Christmas when recommendations will be made for a new captain. Two candidates were initiated and two applications were received at last night's session.

Final arrangements were also made for the special benefit picture show to be given at the Lyric theatre next Saturday.

The show will be given for the benefit of the M. W. of A. degree team. There will be shown several reels of pictures of the M. W. of A. home and tuberculosis sanitarium at Colorado Springs, Colo.

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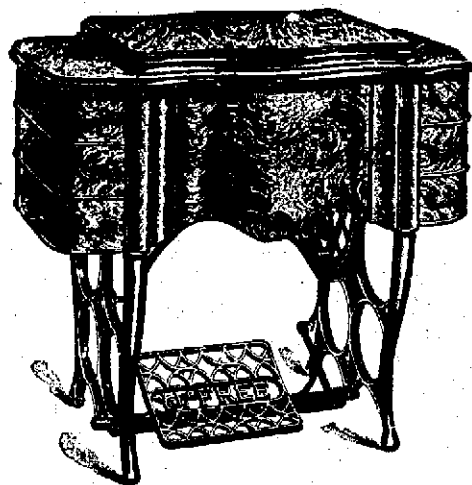
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All next week a special representative from the factory which manufactures the "Free Sewing Machine" will be at our store to demonstrate this great Sewing Machine and we want to extend to you a personal invitation to call at our store and see same, whether you are contemplating buying at present or not. Be sure and come!

The Reliability of the "Free" Is Supreme, yet you

can Buy it for Less than Any Other High Grade Machine

on the market. And remember that the First Cost is

the Only Cost. It is Guaranteed for Life and if Destroyed

by Fire, Flood or Accident, you will be given a New One.

Guarantee

The Free Sewing Machine Co. hereby warrants for family sewing THE FREE Sewing Machine. Any defective part, either in material or workmanship, returned to the factory, transportation charges prepaid, will be replaced free of any cost. This applies to all parts of Machine.

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High arm, Drop-Head Automatic lift, Five-drawer Sewing Machine—guaranteed for 10 years—complete with full set of attachments \$16.75

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In addition to the Guarantee, the "Free" is insured against breakage, wear, fire, flood, tornado and lightning. Should fire destroy your "Free", flood render it unfit for use, accident break any part, or should you break a needle, belt or attachment a new machine or new part will be furnished you without cost.

A written Guarantee and Insurance Policy with each Machine.

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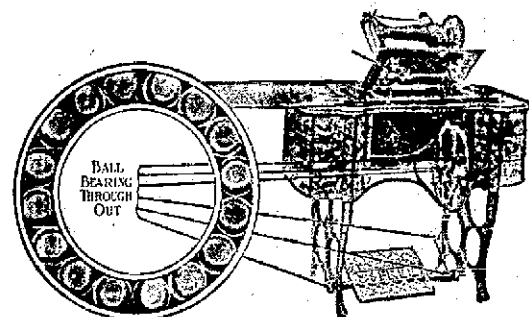
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| Least Vibration. | Most Powerful Machine Made. |
| Most Perfect Stitch. | Has Vibrating Shuttle. |
| More Rotary in Movement. | Ball Bearing Rotoscillo Movement. |
| Automatic Thread Control. | Positive Self-Setting Needle—cannot be put in wrong. |
| Automatic Tension Release. | Short Needle. |
| Rigid Feed-Bearing, directly under feed points. | Positive 4-Motion Feed—no Springs. |
| Shuttle Ejector. | 6 Ball-Bearings in Stand. |
| Self-Threading Shuttle. | Case-Hardened Adjustable Bearings. |
| Revolving Spool Holder. | Automatic Drawer Locks. |
| Automatic Head Latch—holding head to stand. | |
| It Runs Lightest. | |

Simplest and Best Automatic Lift

The "Free" is the ONLY Sewing Machine that can make an absolutely perfect stitch on any thickness of material, because it has the only positive, rigid, 4-motion feed and has the ONLY really automatic tension release. These features are entirely covered by patents.

STEPS TAKEN BY G. O. P. LEADERS TO REHABILITATE PARTY IN OHIO

Columbus, O., Dec. 16.—Recommendation for a permanent party manager or publicity agent was made, although there has been a lively competition for these appointments. The special committee of nine recommends the creation of these places and also of the establishment of a permanent state headquarters, but it passes the burden of action to the State Central Committee.

It was explained that nothing was done concerning the subject of a recount of the ballots cast for governor. Governor Willis announced prior to the session that he was opposed to taking such action. In the formal statement issued concerning the action of the committee nothing was said regarding the extinguishing of the deficit of \$75,000. There is a well defined rumor that this has been cared for though it is to be noted that the committee recommended the creation of a subcommittee on finance.

No comment was made upon the pamphlet put out by Harry M. Daugherty yesterday. Colonel Proctor of Cincinnati, whose stand for the liquor interests was made the subject of attack in the record, declined to say anything save that "Mr. Daugherty is entitled to his views upon the prohibition question." He explained that he had not read the matter as published in the newspapers.

It is now expected that a rush to capture control of the State Central Committee for the purpose of selecting the permanent party manager and publicity agent will now be instituted. It is well known that Harry M. Daugherty has many friends in the organization, and that Governor Willis also is possessed of many friends upon it.

SAVINGS CLUB STARTS FINE

While the Christmas Savings Club does not open at the Central National Bank until next Monday, December 18, nevertheless quite a large number have already enrolled and according to the officials of the bank it looks as though the club would probably double itself. Frank Kiefer, one of the five wires of this institution, stated that it was remarkable the number of the 1915 members were coming in and enrolling for 1917. Quite a number of them, he stated, had found they had quite a nice sum left after a Christmas shopping tour and they were re-depositing this in the Savings Club. Others re-deposited the entire amount of their check and hope when next Christmas rolls around they will have such a tidy sum in the bank that they can carry a check book around with them and "pay by check," just like the big business men do.

A RIGID Adherence To Simple Health Rules

is really necessary in order to promote and maintain health

The digestion must be kept normal, the liver active and the bowels regular

When Help Is Needed—TRY

HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters

Winter Picnic Is Enjoyed By Sunday School Class

Some people say that a growing boy can't get enough to eat. Those "some people" should have been along with the "Camping Party" at the Selby cottage last night, when Mr. Homer C. Selby entertained his Sunday School class at Bigelow church and a few friends with a winter picnic and a hike over the snow-capped hills. Some of the young men of the class had boasted that there couldn't be enough carried out to the cottage to make them cry "quits," on the cat question, but they were mistaken. On the menu were sandwiches, baked beans, piping hot, hash with "real beef" as the basis, pickles, coffee and apple pie.

The "first round" honors went to the members of the class, with Mr. Ed T. Reed, a guest, a close second. Most everyone stayed for the "second round" of edibles, but from then on there were frequent desertions. When Billy Lakeman quit after the fifth sandwich and the fourth helping of hash, the others got discouraged, and the final wonder of wonders came when one after another they had to refuse more apple pie, which pie was certainly of the kind that "mother used to make."

After the feast an hour's hike was enjoyed through the hills, either going straight up or straight down. Rev. Chandler developed a sudden liking for a fireman's life and served as first assistant fire tender at the cottage under Mr. Reed, while the hike was in progress, while some of the others stopped at way stations or had to be rescued by the ambulance corps.

XMAS SPECIALS

New Nuts and Candies, Raisins, Currants and Citron, Prunes, Peaches and Apricots, Apples, Oranges and Bananas, Grapefruit, Lettuce and Celery, Dressed Turkeys and Chickens, standard and select oysters, Banquet, miniature cream tasty deviled, Piemento, Cream, Brick and Limburger Cheese, Peas, Beans, Corn and Tomatoes, Potatoes, Cabbage, Turnips and Parsnips, Sour Kraut, Pie's Feet and Dill Pickles, Spare Ribs and Country Sausage. Give us your orders early.

J. J. BRUSHART The Cash Grocer

Included in the party were: Varner Altzman, Selby Dillon, Donald Dillon, Charles Evans, Wylie Guilkerson, Lowell Selby, Myron Morrow, Homer Church, William Lakeman, Edward T. Reed, R. H. Charlton, Dr. C. E. Chandler, Earl Rardin, Albert Reinhardt, Geo. M. Taylor, Roger Selby and Homer Selby.

ENTERTAINMENT SUNDAY EVENING

The children's Christmas exercise to be given at the Seventh Street A. M. E. church will be held on Sunday evening, December 24. The program will be in charge of Miss Pearl Anderson and Miss Mattie Price.

The Sunday school superintendent, Rev. Grant Metcalf, and the Bible school teachers will have charge of the Christmas presents.

10c Exhibit Tonight 10c

See Jane Gail In "RUPERT OF HENTZAU," Five Act Bluebird Drama

5c ARCANATHEATRE Tonight 5c

"The Right Car But the Wrong Berth," 2 Reel L-Ko Comedy
"LITTLE BROWNIE'S BRAVERY," Powers Drama
"Japan's Gateway To The Temple of Gods," Powers

Temple Tonight 10c

"The Conflict," 3 Reel Selig Drama, "Defying Death," Drama
"THE YELLOW MENACE," 2 Reel Drama
"FURNISHED ROOMS," Vim Comedy

10c Strand Tonight 10c

"Liberty," 2 Reels, "Through Baby's Voice," 2 Reel Drama
"THE MISSING WITNESS," Imp Drama
"SAFETY FIRST," L-Ko Comedy

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Passing Party

At a well attended meeting of the Daughters of America Friday evening plans were completed for a passing party that will be held in the lodge next Friday evening Dec. 22. The party will be a feature of the weekly session.

The feature of the meeting was the voting of \$25 to the Bureau of Community Service fund in response to a communication from the committee in charge of raising the fund.

Deliver Fords

The Universal Motor company delivered a Ford touring car to Charles Hill and a Ford Sedan to the Independent Taxi company this week.

RIVER NEWS

Portsmouth, Dec. 16.
Observations taken at 8 a. m.
75th Meridian Time.

	Wind	Temp.	Bar.	Humid.	Clouds
Franklin	15	1.9 F	-0.2	.02	
Greensboro	18	3.8 F	-0.2	.04	
Pittsburgh	22	5.7 F	-0.1		
Wheeling	36	4.6 F	-0.5		
Zanesville	25	8.1 F	-0.1		
Parkersburg	36	4.2 F	-0.1		
Charleston	30	7.4 F	-0.2		
Huntington	50	7.8 F	-0.3		
Dan No. 29	50	7.4 F	-1.3		
Portsmouth	50	7.9 F	-0.9		
Cincinnati	50	8.9 F	-0.6		

FORECAST

Probably fair over upper Ohio valley tonight and Sunday.
River at Portsmouth will not change much.

Ankle Bone Fractured

While rolling an "I" beam along the ground in the plant of the Whitaker-Glessner company at 8 o'clock Friday night William Gill, living at 1926 Waller street, slipped and fell and fractured a small bone in his left ankle. He was removed to the Hempstead hospital. Gill is an employee of the Alex Laughlin Construction company, who are doing some work in the Whitaker-Glessner plant.

REDUCTION IN SEAT PRICES

Chicago, Dec. 16.—American League Club owners started home today after completing the business of the annual meeting at a session which lasted until midnight last night.

Among the subjects disposed of at the meeting was the reduction in the price of seats to world's series games. A rule was passed stating that seats for the series in the American League parks should be double the price for the same seats during the regular base ball season. The new seats for 50 cents for bleacher seats, to \$1.50 for the grand stand. An exception was made in the case of box seats, where a price of \$5 was held.

SLOAN'S LINIMENT FOR STIFF JOINTS

Rheumatic pains and aches get into the joints and muscles, making every movement torture. Relieve your suffering with Sloan's Liniment; it quickly penetrates without rubbing, and soothes and warms your sore muscles. The congested blood is stimulated to action; a single application will drive out the pain. Sloan's Liniment is clean, convenient and quickly effective; it does not stain the skin or clog the pores. Get a bottle today at your Druggist, 25c.

Car Jumped Tracks

Persons on their way to work early Saturday morning were more or less accommodated through the street car by late morning disarranged.

A street car jumping the track at the lower or West End loop, was responsible. The car went astride the track so that until it could be re-railled, which was accomplished forty minutes after the accident, it was necessary to turn the other cars at Third and Chillicothe streets.

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Christmas Money Club

FOR 1917

Club Opens Monday, Dec. 18; Closes Saturday, Jan. 6th.

TO SPEND NEXT CHRISTMAS?

(1917)

THEN JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS MONEY CLUB, WHICH OPENS NEXT MONDAY, DEC. 18th

Over forty-nine hundred people were in our 1916 Christmas Money Club.

This week we mailed them checks aggregating over \$110,000.00.

Forty-nine hundred people will enjoy giving this year as never before, because they have the CASH for liberal giving, and, thanks to our Christmas Money Club, they saved it in small sums which were easily spared.

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

What is the purpose of the Christmas Money Club?

The purpose is to help you and others to accumulate a fund for next Christmas (1917).

How does the Christmas Money Club accomplish this purpose?

By each member paying in a small sum each week for 50 weeks. Ten days before next Christmas (1917) each member will receive the total amount he has paid in and, if payments are made regularly, we add three per cent interest.

Does everybody pay in the same?

No. There are ten classes, the payments being of different amounts or arranged in different ways to suit the convenience of all. These different classes are explained in detail on the page to the left of this one.

What are the payments in Class 1c?

In the 1c Class Going Up the payments begin with 1c the 1st week and increase 1c each week until you pay 50c the fiftieth week or if you prefer, you can join the 1c Class Going Down and begin with 50c and end with 1c on the fiftieth week.

Do the payments in the other classes progress in the same way?

They do. The only difference is that in 2c Classes the payments are twice as much, either Going Up or Going Down. And in 5c Classes the payments are five times as much as in Class 1c. But in the other classes the payments are "Uniform", being 25c, 50c, \$1 or \$2 each week according to the Class you join.

What do I do to become a Member?

All that is necessary is to go to The First National Bank, ask to

be enrolled as a member and make the first week's payment or more. Is there a membership fee or is there any cost to join? No.

What will the first payment be? From 1c to \$2.50, according to the class you join. List of payments at left.

How are the payments to be made?

How are the payments to be made? Weekly, on any day during each week or in advance for as many weeks as you desire.

What will happen if I cannot keep up my payments or discontinue?

You may discontinue for any reason at any time and at the period when the club closes, you will get a check for all you have paid in, but without interest. When and how can I withdraw? Under no circumstances will any withdrawals, either in whole or in part be allowed. What you deposit will be held for you until Dec. 15, 1917.

What will the first payment be? What form of receipt do I get when I make my payments?

We furnish a coupon pass book free in which all payments are recorded.

What would happen if my Pass Book were lost, stolen, or destroyed?

As we have a complete record of the payments of every member we will pay your share to you whether you have your Pass Book or not. The Pass Book is of value to you only for the purpose of keeping track of your payments.

Can I become a member of more than one class? Yes.

When can I join?

You can join any time on or after Monday, Dec. 18, and before noon Saturday Jan. 6, but preferably during the first week to avoid the rush on the last few days.

HIGHER WATER RATES MAY BE ESTABLISHED IN CITY

The report of State Examiner McGuire on the Portsmouth city water works, mention of which was made in Friday's issue, contains a paragraph that foreshadows an increase in water rates for Portsmouth consumers due to the largely increased cost of operating the new plant as compared with the old one.

The paragraph in question is as follows:

"The present bonded debt of the water works is \$751,500, of which \$587,500 was issued to pay cost and expenses of construction of the new water works system. The interest charges for the year 1916 was \$36,604.50.

"Heretofore the interest on

water works bonds was paid from the earnings of the plant but as the cost of operation and maintenance of the new plant is greatly in excess of the cost of conducting the old pumping station, it is not probable that a portion of the annual interest charges will have to be provided for from general taxes, at least for a

time, or until the rates are equitably adjusted. The plant is now furnishing an excellent quality of water that may be safely used for all purposes, and it is reasonable to presume that under these conditions the revenue from the sale of water will be materially increased."

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SICK WOMAN MOVED FROM HOME WHEN FIRE DEVELOPS

Fire in the home of George

Nagel, a barber, 2215 Eighth street, early Saturday morning

entailed considerable damage. The pantry, kitchen and attic

were partially destroyed by fire and the household furniture was badly damaged.

Mrs. Nagel has been ill for a week, threatened with pneumonia.

conveyed to the home of her son,

Clyde Nagel, of Eleventh street. The fire started in the pantry

where Mr. Nagel had been trying to thaw a frozen water pipe. The

No insurance was carried by Mr. Nagel, who has not yet placed an estimate upon his losses.

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Patent Cloth Top Buttons for evening wear, Tan and Black Calf Skin in lace or button, English last and low heels or medium round or high toe shapes, priced from \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50 and on up to \$10.00.
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Leather Moccasins, Rubber Boots, Tan, Patent and Gum Metal Shoes in Button and Lace, White Tops for the girls.

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Sunday Services

SERMONS AND SERVICES AT THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

WELLS B. E. CHURCH

C. E. Chandler, Pastor.
503 Washington Street.

Bible classes meet as usual at 9 a. m., Orson H. Ogier, superintendent.

In the morning at 10:30, the regular public worship, to which everyone is cordially invited. Dr. Chandler will continue his series of sermons on "The Game of Good Will." His theme for this Sunday will be: "The Players of the Game."

Epworth League meets at 6 p. m., and the evening church services at 7. At the evening service Dr. Chandler will preach upon the subject, "The Guide and the Goal."

All of the young people of the church are urged to be present at the Epworth League meeting. Special features are had and the service is full of interest. Mrs. Evans' class will have charge.

Music for the day:
—Morning—
Anthem, "In All Who Believe"—Percy Choir.
Solo, "Just Beyond"—Branter—Mr. Goddard.

—Evening—
Anthem, "Earth's Little While"—Lorenz Choir.
Duet, "Thy Will Be Done"—Miss Sawyer, Mr. Goddard.

TRINITY METHODIST EPISCOPAL
Gallia and Union Streets.
C. Lloyd Stricker, Pastor.

Sunday school at 9 a. m., John T. Broeze, superintendent. Mrs. B. B. class, J. H. Finney, teacher.

Morning worship at 10:30. Sermon, "The Source of Supply."
Junior League at 2 p. m.
Epworth League at 6 p. m.

Evening worship at 7 o'clock. Sermon, "How to Become a Christian." Preached by Mr. J. H. Finney, General Agent of Equitable Life Insurance Co. of Iowa.

This is the third sermon of the series on the general theme, "Christianity on the Witness Stand."
Special music by the chorus choir.
A cordial invitation to all.
Music for Sunday will be as follows:

—Morning—
Prelude—Hymn Transcription—Ashford.
Anthem, "Where He Leads Me"—Edwards.
Offertory—Italian Serenade—E. Edwards of Catania.

—Evening—
Prelude—Intermezzo—E. Towns and D. H. Hild.
Anthem, "Where He Leads Me"—Edwards.
Offertory—Italian Serenade—E. Edwards of Catania.

—Morning—
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FOURTH ST. M. E.

A. L. Marting, Pastor.

Sabbath school at 8:45. Classes for young and old. You will enjoy an interesting discussion of a helpful lesson if you attend the Epworth League Bible class.

Morning worship, with German sermon, at 10. The pastor will preach a special Advent sermon.

Young People meet at 6:15. After a two weeks' vacation this service will surely be especially well attended.

Evening service at 7. Special sermon as a preparation for Christmas. Subject, "His Gift and Ours."

WHEELERSBURG M. E. Church.
P. C. Wolf, Pastor.

Sunday school at the usual hour. G. E. Koch, superintendent. Special music.

Morning preaching service at 10:15. Subject, "The Holy City, How to Reach It." This subject will be of interest in connection with the Sunday school lesson.

Epworth League at 6:20.
Evening preaching service at 7. Zion M. E. Church.

Sunday school at 1 p. m., G. W. Smith, superintendent.
Preaching service at 2 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Court and Third Streets.
Rev. M. S. Bush, Minister.

The Bible school meets at 9 a. m., with Mr. George D. Souder, superintendent, in charge.

The morning worship is at 10:30 o'clock. The sermon theme is, "Salvation; Grace; Faith"—Ephesians 2:8.

The evening worship is at 7 o'clock. The sermon theme is "Shadows in God's Purpose."

The Junior C. E. meets at 2 p. m. and the Senior Society at 6 p. m. The following are the musical programs for the day:

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Eight and Waller Streets.
George P. Horst, Minister.

9 a. m., Sabbath school, W. W. Gates, superintendent. Prof. Clark Fullerton will teach the Men's Bible Class.

10:30, preaching service. Junior anthem by the children. Junior sermon, "Umbrellas." Senior sermon, "Shall We Know Our Loved Ones in Heaven?"

—Morning—
Organ Voluntary, In the Morning—(Peer Gunt Suite)—Edward Grieg.
Anthem, Sweet is Thy Mercy—Joseph Barbery. Soloist, Mrs. H. C. Bugh.

Offertory, Venetian Love Song—Eitelbert Nevin.
Postlude—Maestoso (Choral)—Cesar Franck.

—Evening—
Introduction—Organ—Miss Edna Marting.
Scripture.
Prayer.

Chorus, "No Shadows Yonder." Tenor soloist, Mr. Melzar Chick. Soprano Solo, "My Soul is Afloat for God"—Miss Katherine Powell.

Ladies' Trio, "At Eventide It Shall Be Light"—Mrs. Kimble, Mrs. Bugh and Mrs. Nodder.

Chorus, "They That Sow in Tears." Contralto Solo, "Eye Hath Not Seen"—Mrs. Clarence Nodder.

Chorus, "For Thee, O Dear, Dear Country." Chorus, "Thine is the Kingdom." Offertory, "Alabaster."

Bass solo and Choral Cantata—Mr. Chester Lloyd and Pastor's Choir. Soprano Solo, "To the Lord Our God"—Mrs. B. F. Kimble.

Baritone Solo, "Come Ye Blessed"—Mr. Albert F. Marting.
Chorus, "The Finest Pot is for Silver."

Soprano Solo, "These Are They Which Come"—Mrs. H. C. Bugh. Soprano and Bass Duet, "They Shall Hunger No More"—Miss Lydia Appel, Mr. Albert Marting.

(a) Ladies' Quartet, "List the Cherubic Hosts"—Mrs. Kimble, Mrs. Bugh, Miss Elliott, Mrs. Nodder.
(b) Bass Solo, "I Heard the Voice of Harpers"—Mr. Chester Lloyd. Soprano Solo—Mrs. H. C. Bugh.

Chorus, "Great and Marvelous Are Thy Works." Solo Voices—Misses Genevieve MacIntosh, Helen Dowling, Margaret Stahler.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTISTS

222 Second Street.

Regular service at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Is the Universe, including man, evolved by atomic force?"

Golden text, Psalm 107-8: "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" (Christian Science Quarterly)

Sunday school at 9 a. m.
Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30.

Reading Room same address, where the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased, if desired, is open daily from 2 until 4 in the afternoon, except on Sunday and legal holidays.

All are welcome to visit the Reading Room and attend the services.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Third and Gay
Chas. R. Oakley, Minister.

Bible school at 9 a. m. Communion and preaching at 10:30. Sermon subject, "Reasons for Adopting the Tithing System." The morning service will be rather unique, in that we will have a money shower at the close of the teaching of the lesson in the Bible school. This will mark the close of our Thirty Day Campaign to raise \$3300.00 on our church debt.

O. E. at 6 p. m. Preaching at 7. Sermon subject, "Why Some People Don't See God." The chorus choir will render special music at these services. We must bear in mind the fact that our Bible school is in contact with Bellefontaine, O. Every member is urged to be present tomorrow and rejoice in the financial victory. The general public is cordially invited to these services.

SCIOVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Hugh J. Dudley, Pastor.

Sunday school at 9 o'clock.
Preaching and worship at 10:15 a. m. and 7 p. m. Special sermon Sunday evening. Subject, "Why Should We Love Him?" Special music at this service. Miss Warner, of Portsmouth, will have charge of the music every Sunday evening.

Choir practice Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and Thursday evening at 7:30.

Our revival will begin immediately after Christmas. Miss Gail Wilhite, soloist, has been secured for this meeting. Let every member work and pray for this revival.

WHEELERSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday school at 9 a. m., Eric Duduit, superintendent. Last Sunday we had the largest school of our history, being twenty more than the previous Sunday. Let's do better tomorrow.

The Young Ladies' class and the Young Men's class are in a friendly get spiritual contest that is proving interesting. You will find here a friendly school and a corps of efficient teachers.

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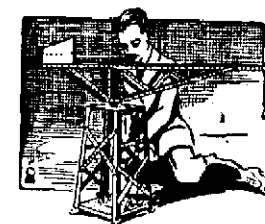
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

B. F. Caudill, Pastor.
Basement of Public Library

Sunday school at 9 a. m., Mr. Choice Freeman, superintendent.
Morning worship at 10:15. Sermon, "Our Need and the Divine Fulfillment."

Junior Society at 2 p. m.
Young People's Union at 6:15 p. m.

Evening worship at 7 o'clock. Sermon, "Christ's Consciousness of Greatness."

Our Sunday school is attempting to raise the money as a Christmas offering to furnish the lighting fixtures for the new church. It will require about two hundred and fifty dollars. Teachers and classes are planning to give generously for this purpose. A friend not in our Sunday school sends five dollars to help us in this undertaking. Others may want to do likewise. Gifts for this purpose will be much appreciated.

BUTCHERS STREET BAPTIST

Rev. H. C. Smith, Pastor

Sunday school at 9 a. m., Mr. N. W. Kent, superintendent. Let each class remember the Sunday school which was adopted last Sunday and each member be present.

Morning worship at 10:30. Subject, "Jesus at Jacob's Well." All the children that are in the Christmas program are urged to meet at the church at 2 p. m. for rehearsal.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:15 p. m. We had a very good lesson last Sunday and good attendance. Hope to see still more present this Sunday.

Preaching services in the evening at 7:15 p. m. Text: 2 Tim. 3:12. The Hope Circle class of the Sunday school will meet Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Anna Cooper, on Spring street. After a business session they will enjoy a passing party. All members and their husbands or friends are invited. The Xmas Fall class will meet Dec. 19 at the home of Mrs. Clyde

KENDALL AVE. BAPTIST

W. M. Hart, Pastor

Bible school at 9 o'clock. J. R. Buckley, superintendent.
Morning worship at 10:15. "Elect to Office." A specially arranged service.

Junior B. Y. P. U. at 2 o'clock. Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6 o'clock.
Evening service at 7 o'clock. "Plainly Seeing the Unseen."

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.
A welcome awaits you at the Kendall Avenue church. Our orchestra provides special music for each service.

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Preaching at 7 p. m. by the pastor. Subject, "The Plagues Upon Egypt."

SCIOVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Freeman W. Chase, Pastor.

Bible school at 9 a. m., J. A. Brock, superintendent.
Morning worship at 10:15. "How to Be Actual Winners." Bring your Bibles.

Talk to Juniors by Mrs. Chase at 6:30 p. m.
Sermon at 7 p. m. Subject, "Modern Samsons."

R. B. Y. M. C. A.
Rev. W. M. Hart, pastor of Kendall Avenue Baptist church, will address the gospel meeting at the R. B. Y. M. C. A. building Sunday, December 17th, at 2:30 p. m. Mr. John Williams will sing two solos. Everyone invited.

MORRIS CHAPEL
B. F. Caudill, Pastor.
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ALLEN CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH
John Irwin, Pastor.
Seventh Street.

All captains will make a full report Sunday night.
The children's exercise will be on next Sunday night and will be in charge of Miss Pearl Anderson and Miss Mattie Price. The superintendent and teachers will have charge of the presents.

9 a. m. Sunday school, Rev. Grant Metcalf, superintendent.
10:30, preaching by the pastor.
7 p. m., evening worship. Preaching by the pastor.

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Ten years a habitual drunkard, is one of the allegations which Malinda McGill set out in her petition for a divorce from Charles McGill. She further says that she was compelled to do farm work at times to support herself. She married the defendant April 24

In a collision between two cars of the Ohio Valley Electric Company near Clyffside Park above Ashland, Ky., last night at 1 o'clock, Evan Morgan, a well-known brick contractor of Iron-
ton, was injured, but not seriously. H. M. Morris, metorman on one of the cars, and whose home is in Huntington, also was injured.

"The car on which Mr. Morgan was a passenger, and which was well filled, was following another car. The trolley on the car ahead evidently came off, shutting off its lights and the rear car, going at a lively rate of speed, crashed into it."

Arrangements are in the hands of the best brand of leadership to be found in the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, of which it was the honor of the Columbus Inaugural Committee. The inauguration will be a non-partisan affair in every respect, and men of all political faiths, as men-
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PORTSMOUTH CAN DO

Portsmouth has raised, in the three days allotted, the ten thousand dollars necessary to put the Bureau of Community Service in operation for a year, and the work of raising a still greater sum to broaden its usefulness is going bravely on.

It was quick work grandly done. As is usual with all big undertakings there were those who doubted it could be done in the time allotted and still others that doubted it could be done at all. But the most enthusiastic corps of unselfish workers the city ever saw gathered together didn't see it that way at all. In the busiest and most exacting season of the year they forsook their own personal affairs and with earnest enthusiasm and determination, set out to do the immense work in scant time.

That they succeeded is a splendid credit to themselves as well as to a fine citizenship that responded so readily and generously to their solicitation. We wish we could find sufficient words in which to applaud them for their splendid service, though that really isn't necessary for they have the finer tribute within themselves, that they have given of the best that was in them to the benefit of the community and their less fortunate fellowmen.

Where all have been so singularly sacrificing and effective, it, ordinarily, would not be in good taste to select one for especial mention but we are sure there will be no criticism, no feeling of slight on the part of anyone, who had share in the grand work, when we say that without the indomitable energy and intensity of President Warwick Anderson, of the campaign committee, success would not have been so certainly attained. He was on the job all the time, he never tired and he never gave up. What that meant when all were going the seeming limit of exertion is better understood than told, and the finest thing of all is that none will begrudge any measure of credit given him.

THE LAW OF THE CASE

At the request of The Times one of the ablest lawyers of the city has condensed the statutes, applying to the building of a new courthouse, where there has to be a bond issue. The condensation is herewith given and attention is specially directed to the fact, that all matters, concerning the erection of the courthouse shall lie with a non-partisan commission, acting in conjunction with the commissioners and every possible safeguard is provided against graft, favoritism and fraud, that the law can provide. We suggest every voter not only read the law carefully, but that he cut it out and keep it for future reference. It will come in handy to meet certain arguments against the building of a courthouse that he will be frequently confronted with.

1. The county commissioners should, by resolution, express a determination to erect the courthouse.

2. Then submit to the electors the question of issuing county bonds to pay for it.

3. If the electors determine to issue the bonds the county commissioners must, within thirty days, apply to the court of common pleas for the appointment of a building commission and the court must appoint four suitable and competent freehold electors of the county who shall, with the county commissioners, constitute the building commission. This commission shall be non-partisan and is empowered to determine all questions in connection with the building of the courthouse.

4. The four persons so appointed are paid for the time actually employed by them, but in the aggregate not to exceed 2 1/2 percent of the cost of construction, and must take an oath of office and give bond for the faithful and honest discharge of their duties.

5. The building commission employs the architects, superintendents and other necessary employees and fixes their compensation and bonds. The plans and specifications must be filed with the county auditor and may not be altered unless the alteration is approved by the commission and the price to be paid agreed upon in writing between the contractor and the commission.

6. All resolutions of the commission, such as providing for the employment of architects, adoption of plans, award of contracts and the like must be in writing and the roll called when presented for vote. The votes of five members are required for adoption and a record of each vote must be kept. All warrants for the payment of bills must be signed by at least five members of the commission.

Don't feel slighted if none of the solicitation committees called on you. They tried to, but there is a limit to human accomplishment. It was impossible to see everybody in the time allotted. The Bureau of Community Service will be more than glad to have your aid, which you may either offer by letter or telephone. The telephone numbers are 126 and 128 and, if you should desire to know what the campaign committee rated you at that fact will be communicated to you with all cheer. Just remember the bureau needs more than the bare ten thousand dollars, which is the minimum, not the maximum of its requirements. Every dollar above that sum now is just as good in effect as two up to it.

Can't realize it, only eight more days until Christmas and only six buying ones.

Wisconsin brewers have decided to take the kick out of beer, but that will not satisfy, it is to be supposed, those who want to kick beer out.

A "SKEERY" BEAST



ON ENTHUSIASM

One of our friends hands us a little editorial on "Enthusiasm" which he found in an exchange and which appealed to him as we are sure it will to you. The editorial follows:

"Give me the man who is enthusiastic. The man who fairly bubbles over with all-absorbing interest in what he is doing. If I play with him he will not bore me. If I do business with him he will not fool me.

"My brain will take new energy in keeping pace with his—the stimulus of his action will arouse the sluggish blood in my veins. He will be honest with me for true enthusiasm forces the virtues to the front and burns the evils to ashes of nothingness. I can depend on him for he knows not the meaning of procrastination and scorn shirking.

"He may make mistakes, bless him,—who doesn't? He's got the vim, and the punch, and the stuff life is made of and his mistakes are mistakes of aggression, not of hesitation. "Keep your brilliant men, your learned material facts. Give me the enthusiastic man now and forever."

The old Cox organization down in Cincinnati is getting purely benevolent. It has hired lawyers to prevent innocent men from being indicted by the federal grand jury. For the guilty it has not concern, to be sure not, nil.

We have about concluded that the most worthy citizen is he who cleans the snow off his sidewalk clean, that is next to the donor to the Bureau of Community Service.

There is lacking evidence that the Republican state committee means to present our good young governor, very soon to be such no longer, with a renoument as a Christmas present.

Begins to look like Santa Claus was expected in these parts soon, with the snow and the letters coming in for him.

We are not an overly impatient mortal, but it does strike us that there is more and longer talk about satisfactory progress in developing election frauds down about Cincinnati and elsewhere than there is prompt action. May be, though, this is a situation for making haste by going slowly.

England, as an answer to Germany's peace proposal, proposes to put a million more men in the field. Wonder if there is more sincerity in the one than the other.

As yet we are unable to see any signs of the white winged dove of peace settling down on her perch.

It is real winter, but at that Wall Street is mighty busy shearing the lambs, scarcely ever busier.

Koot-Poots



(By J. F. D. and Shonk)

Once on a time a Koot Poot was had

For something went wrong and

made him so mad

That his temper let loose—was so

naughty and mean,

That his friends, were all filled

quite full of chagrin.

But soon as he realized what he

had done

He went and apologized to every

one.

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Oh You City Patrol

Police officials expect to make

the patrol as warm and comfort-

able as possible for the winter. A

thin glass curtain will be placed

across the front end or directly

back of the driver's seat and the

rear curtain will also be arranged

so, as to keep the rear of the

wagon protected against cold and

wind. An electric light will be

installed inside the wagon, and

an electric heater has been

purchased to keep the engine

warm and always ready for use

while the wagon stands in the

patrol barn.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.

O-O-MEINTYRE.

New York, Dec. 16.—The Angel of the Night Court is no more. In the passing on of Mrs. Mary Goode, formerly a keeper of respectable houses, New York paradoxically has lost one of the best friends of the wayward girls.

Death revealed her as the mysterious "Miss Bell" who for the past year has been rescuing fallen girls and starting them toward better lives. Mrs. Goode was prominent in the expose of police grafting following the Rosenthal murder.

The secret of her identity, long a baffling mystery, was also bared by her death. She was once prominent in upstate society and then she drifted out of the lives of her friends and became a resort keeper. No one seems to know why. She had money and position.

At any rate she reformed several weeks after the graft expose and went every night to court and gave her funds to girls who were arrested for walking the streets. She found jobs for them in offices and factories.

As Mary Goode she knew the women of the streets thoroughly. She had many of them in her illegal houses and when Miss Bell she wishes to guide them into better ways she knows how to appeal to them. Often she went hungry. I once saw and talked to her during the Rosenthal trial. She was educated and bore unusual marks of refinement. In appearance she looked more like a devoted mother of middle age than a keeper of disorderly resorts. Whatever sin there was in her life was washed away during the last years.

I herewith present a little cubist painting with the aid of my friend the Linotype Man—who just loves my stuff. I boarded a Broadway surfboard yesterday and gave the conductor a nickel. He said in accents loud and clear: "Thank you, sir!" This is the expression that came over my face:

Alas the Whiskbroom Vulture! He is the rascal who brushed all the wool out of your clothes with one hand in the hotel washrooms and with the other hand extended he forces you to grease the itching plum. He is almost as great a poet as the flat Chequer if such a thing could be possible.

The Majestic was the first to give him the gate. And the big hotel men are announcing that they will follow suit in their hotels. The McAlpin almost does it. A sign in their washrooms declares that attendants must be unobtrusive but if the sign said they would be fired if they accepted a fee it would be one step nearer the millennium.

Bob Brinkeraoff, one of the best cartoonists Toledo, O., ever produced, has invited us to the opening of his new studio in a co-operative studio building which seems to be co-opting successfully.

It is in West Sixty Eighth St., where all the sketches of prominence are flocking. I have promised to attend if there is to be no singing. The last studio party he gave, I tried with a number of other convivial souls to sing "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

Just when I was getting good some idiot across the court yelled: "Get the hypo, don't let it suffer that way."

Grant Goings Has Resigned

Policeman Grant Goings has resigned as a member of Mayor Kaps police force. It is claimed that he will become a member of the police staff employed in the plant of the Whitaker-Glessner Company.

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POLLY AND HER PALS

Maggie Never Attended a Co-respondent School.

By CLIFF STERRETT



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What aitch Trouble did

OF Mistah Trouble, he come aroun' one day

An' say, "I gwinter git you, so you better run away!"

I likes to see you bustle. Dat's de way I has my fun.

I knows I kin ketch up to you, he matter how you run?"

I says, "Mistah Trouble, you has been a-chasin' me

Ever since I kin remember, an' I've tired as I kin be.

So I've gwinter stop right yere, an' turn aroun' a-facin you.

An' lick you if I kin an' out just what you kin do."

Oh! Mistah Trouble, he looked mighty

chained;

He acted like a buckin' boss dat's

suddenly been tamed;

An' den he turned an' traveled off,

a-hollerin' "Goad-day;

I ain't got time to fool aroun' wif

folks dat acts dat way."

—Washington Star.

A Step Mother

Daughter—"Mamma, what is a

step mother?"

Mother—"Suppose I died and

your father married another

woman, that woman would be

your stepmother."

The child paused for a moment

and then exclaimed:

"Oh, I see, mamma! You step

out and she steps in!"

The Formula Failed

Willie had disobeyed again

and his mother had sent for a

switch, declaring that she meant

to "wear him out."

"Now, Willie," she demanded

solemnly, "do you know what

I'm going to do with this

switch?"

"Yes'm," he answered promptly,

"you're going to shake it at

me and say, 'Willie Parsons, if

you ever do that again, I'll switch

you good!"

But she didn't.—Christian Her-

A Cheerful Lady

Mrs. Ringem—"What a cheerful

woman Mrs. Jolley is!"

Mrs. Harde—"Isn't she? Why, do

you know that woman can have a

good time thinking what a good time

she would have if she were having

it!"

Natural Magic

"The amateur magician who

entertained us did some wonder-

ful tricks. He made a chicken

turn rabbit right before our

eyes."

"That's nothing. Any ordinary

speeder can make an automobile

turn turtle without half trying."

—Baltimore American.

Incompatibility

A young man named Older

knew an old man named Younger.

Old man Younger had a son

younger than Older and another

Younger older.

The older Younger liked the

younger Older and the older

Younger's elder was pleased.

But the younger Younger dis-

liked the older Older simply be-

cause he was younger and the ol-

der was older.

Grievance grew between the older

Younger, the older Younger and

he younger Older through his

dislike of the younger Younger

and to this day the Olders and

Youngers do not mingle.—S.

Louis Post-Dispatch.

His Grief Not Deep

With a face that vainly at-

tempted to appear mournful, and

eyes that strove to produce a re-

spectable flow of tears, Patrick

Murphy O'Dolan entered a dray-

er's shop.

"I want ye to tell me," he be-

gan, "phwat the custom is for th' wearin' iv mournin'—the depth of it, I mane."

"Well," replied the assist-

ant, "of course it varies. If it's a

relative a band of black velvet

on the sleeve or hat, and for a

more distant friend a black tie is

enough."

Murphy O'Dolan considered.

"Give me a shawl," he said

at last. "It's me wife's mother."

—London Tit-Bits.

The Block System

He was traveling on a brand

new railroad in the north. After a

series of sudden bumps and un-

expected stops, he became un-

easy.

"Look here," he said to the

conductor, "is this train safe?"

"It sure am," said the port-

er. "Well, have they a block sy-

stem on this road?"

"Block system, sah? We let

the greatest block system in

the world. Ten miles back we

blocked by a load of hay, six miles

back we were blocked by a mud

slide, and I reckon when we get

further south we'll be blocked by

an alligator. Block system, best

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NEW FRENCH BLOW FORCES THE TEUTONS BACK 2 MILES AT VERDUN

Gen'l Nivelle Smashes German Lines East Of Meuse On 6 Mile Front

Paris, Dec. 15.—As his last act before assuming the chief command of the French armies on the western front, General Nivelle today smashed the German line east of the Meuse along a front of six miles. The victory has advanced the French position two miles and they now are within a short distance of where the Germans stood at the outset of the great Verdun drive. The military authorities describe the victory as complete and crushing and carried out without a hitch.

Since his last great stroke, when the blood-soaked ruins of Fort Vaux and Douaumont fell once more into the hands of Verdun's defenders, General Nivelle has been quietly preparing to push his advantage by an attack on a larger scale. Men and guns had been assembled, shells piled and everything was in readiness for the moment when the general should see his opportunity. Then the blow fell like a thunderbolt. A terrific artillery preparation flattened the German defenses, then the guns were elevated and threw a curtain of steel behind which the infantry from every trench from Pepper Hill to beyond Dambloup dashed forward on an

enemy still stunned by the bombardment.

In places the Germans gallantly strove to hold their ground, but General Nivelle's dispositions were so well made that they were generally powerless to stem, even momentarily, the tide. One after another Vacherauville and Laveumont villages, Chambrette farm, and the Liardumont and the Besonvaux works fell without the defenders having time to carry away either guns or material and prisoners began to stream steadily rearward to pens prepared for their reception.

The weather, according to hitherto accepted notions, was all against the offensive. It was wet and misty and the French officers believe that this fact undoubtedly led the Germans to miscalculate the probability of attack. The wretched weather did not prevent the aviators also from rendering valuable aid to the attack and their services are believed to have had an important bearing on the fact that the French losses were singularly small. The large number of prisoners, according to latest advice, nearly 9,000, is an indication of the surprise nature of the onset.

The number of guns captured from the Germans in General Nivelle's victory on the Verdun front, as counted up to the present, is 80, according to the latest reports reaching Paris.

IMPOSING INAUGURAL WILL BE HELD FOR GOVERNOR-ELECT COX

Columbus, Dec. 16.—As plans for the inauguration of Governor-elect James M. Cox, who will be inducted into office the second time on January 8th, assume definite form, indications are that the coming inaugural will be one of the most imposing and notable in the history of Ohio.

Arrangements are in the hands of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce Inaugural Committee. The inauguration will be a non-partisan affair in every respect and an affair of all political faiths, as members of the representative body of Columbus business men, are working earnestly for the success of the event. Republicans and Democrats alike are serving on committees, all of them with two aims in view—to give the governor-elect a dignified induction into office and to extend Columbus' best brand of hospitality to the thousands of visitors who will be here on January 8.

More than a score of sub-committees have been appointed to arrange details of the various features of the day's program, and every preparation is being made for the comfort and convenience of the capital city's guests.

The program for inauguration day provides, among other features, the formal induction into office of Mr. Cox at noon, a monster parade immediately after the inaugural ceremony, a public reception following the parade, the inaugural ball, a smoker for visiting newspaper men and other entertainment for the public. Editors of 630 Ohio newspapers, daily, weekly, Republican, Democratic and Independent, have been invited to attend the smoker.

The general committee announces that in all its arrangements the general public will receive first consideration; that the people of the state will be afforded the opportunity to participate in the inauguration of Governor-elect Cox to the greatest possible extent and take a more active part than ever before.

Foreign Missions.

The first foreign missionary society was established at London July 25, 1649, being a corporation under the title of "The Society For the Propagation of the Gospel in New England and the Parts Adjacent in North America."

BRITISH LAUNCH NEW OFFENSIVE IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, Dec. 16.—British troops have taken the offensive in the region of Kut-el-Amara, in Mesopotamia, and have occupied Turkish positions on the Tigris River south of Kut-el-Amara, says an official statement issued today. In the offensive movement the British crossed to the right bank of the Tigris River and took trenches near Kalahaji Fahir, two and a half miles from Kut-el-Amara.

ROAD AND BROTHERHOOD OFFICIALS SEEK TO SETTLE CONTROVERSY OUT OF COURT

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, who was chairman of the committee of railroad executives which met President Wilson and brotherhood officials in Washington last summer when a railroad strike was threatened, confirmed the report today that informal conferences had been held by railroad representatives with brotherhood officials concerning a settlement out of court of the controversy between the railroads and the employees.

W.G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, also announced at Evansville, Ind. last night that negotiations are under way between leaders of the four brotherhoods and operating officials of several railroads looking to settlement of the entire controversy before January 1, when the Adamson law is to go into effect. Both Mr. Lee and Mr. Holden said, however, that the discussion had not progressed far enough even to suggest a basis for a permanent settlement.

Want To Standardize Price Of Print Paper

New York, Dec. 16.—A plan designed to standardize the price of news print paper so that it shall be within reach of the small as well as the large newspaper publishers was presented to the three members of the federal trade commission who came here today to confer with half a hundred representatives of the paper manufacturing industry. The plan proposes that an investigation of the paper making industry be undertaken by the commission and after the cost of production is ascertained to have the commission fix a flat, standard price of the product at the mill.

The proponents of the plan are publishers of small dailies in the states of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

sales showed an advance of as much as eight and a quarter cents a bushel, July jumping to \$1.40 as against \$1.31½ at yesterday's finish.

FOOT OF SNOW IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 16.—The first real snowstorm of the winter will cost New York city about \$500,000. A foot of snow fell yesterday between 5 a. m. and 7 p. m. and the street cleaning department will be busy two or three days carting it away. The fall was the greatest here in any day since Dec. 26-27, 1890, when 14 inches fell in 24 hours.

Traffic is still blocked today owing to the shortage of men to clear the streets. Two years ago 40,000 men were enrolled as emergency snow handlers. One year ago the rolls of the street cleaning department carried 15,000. But this year only 6,000 emergency men are enrolled and only half of these answered the call for work last night. These laborers were assisted by between 2,000 and 3,000 students of local colleges who went to work at 11 p. m. and received 50 cents an hour.

The storm in this vicinity caused comparatively little trouble to the steam railroads and the telephone and telegraph companies.

Hornpipes.

Hornpipe takes its name from a wind instrument on which are produced musical strains as an accompaniment for this country dance, which originated in England. Sailors' hornpipe is better known to Americans.

UP GOES WHEAT

(Bulletin)

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Wheat leaped upward today in response to the Russian Duma's rejection of peace terms and because of reports that the United States would not intervene at present. First



3,200 Autos Are Stolen In Chicago This Year

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Statistics announced today by Chas. C. Healey, chief of police, show that up to date in 1916, the value of automobiles stolen in Chicago, was, in round figures, about \$2,000,000. In the year, he stated, 3,200 motor cars were stolen, of which 300 have not been recovered.

WEATHER

Cloudy and not so cold tonight and Sunday. Probably snow.

UNCLE SAM TO FORWARD PEACE NOTE TO THE ALLIES WITHOUT ANY COMMENT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—It was officially announced at the White House last night that United States would not accompany the central powers' peace proposals with any expression of its own when they are sent forward, and that it had not been decided what steps would be taken later. It also was officially stated that physical difficulties were the only reason for delay, and that the notes would be sent forward to the entente capitals as soon as all were in uniform condition.

President Wilson has decided that the notes of the central powers proposing a discussion of peace to the entente allies will be sent forward by the American government acting as intermediary without any accompanying mediation offer of its own. He has not determined whether any action in behalf of peace will be taken later by the United States on its own account, but is holding himself in readiness to serve in any way possible toward bringing the warring nations together.

The course to be pursued was made known last night, after the president had conferred with Secretary Lansing and after a prolonged cabinet meeting. It was stated that the delay in forwarding the notes to the entente capitals was due to the fact that the messages received from Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey, identical in substance, differed slightly in phraseology as a result of different translations. They probably will be put on the cables tomorrow.

RUSSIAN DUMA IS FLATLY AGAINST PEACE

ACCEPTS UNRESERVEDLY THE ALLIES' DEMANDS

Paris, Dec. 16.—An official telegram announcing that Greece had accepted unreservedly the conditions of the allies, was received at the foreign office at midnight, according to the Petit Journal.

Orders have already been given, it is stated, regarding the movements of troops and material and will be carried out as rapidly as possible.

In respect to the attack on British and French marines in Athens on December 1, the government declares that it desires to give every legitimate satisfaction and refers to its proposals to arbitrate. It expresses the hope that the allied powers will reconsider their decision to continue the blockade, which, it says, is straining relations and impressing public opinion. The reply concludes with the expression of a desire by the government and people of Greece for a resumption of the excellent traditional confidence which previously existed between Greece and the entente nations.

London, Dec. 16.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Petrograd says:

"The Duma has unanimously passed a resolution against the acceptance of the German peace proposals, after a spirited speech by the Minister of Foreign Affairs." The text of the resolution, as received here, follows:

"The Duma, having heard the statement by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, unanimously favors a categorical refusal by the allied governments to enter, under present conditions, into any peace negotiations whatever."

"It considers that the German proposals are nothing more than a fresh proof of the weakness of the enemy and a hypocritical act from which the enemy expects no real success and by which it seeks to throw upon others the responsibility for the war and for what happened during it, and to exculpate itself before public opinion in Germany."

"The Duma considers that a premature peace would not only be a brief period of calm, but would involve the danger of another bloody war and a renewal of the deplorable sacrifices by the people. It considers that a lasting peace will be possible only after a decisive victory over the military power of the enemy and after definite renunciation by Germany of the aspirations which renders her responsible for the world war and for the horrors by which it has been accompanied."

CREW LEAVING U. S. S. SUMNER

New York, Dec. 16.—Two boats were taken aboard the army transport Sumner, which grounded off Barnegat, N. J., Sunday night, were taken off early today and calls have been sent to Barnegat for lifeboats to take off the remaining men. Heavy seas are causing the transport to pound heavily on the shoal and the Sumner was leaking so badly shortly after midnight that the pumps and wireless were put out of commission.

In addition to those taken off this morning, some of the crew were taken aboard the army transport Sumner, which grounded off Barnegat, N. J., Sunday night, were taken off early today and calls have been sent to Barnegat for lifeboats to take off the remaining men. Heavy seas are causing the transport to pound heavily on the shoal and the Sumner was leaking so badly shortly after midnight that the pumps and wireless were put out of commission.

Pershing Nominated Maj. Gen'l

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Brigadier-General John J. Pershing, commanding the American expeditionary force in Mexico, was nominated by President Wilson today to be a major-general.

Only 8 Big League Players Get Over 200 Bingles in Year

When it comes to dissecting or dissecting the batting eye or the whirling lamp there are other ways to establish greatness rather than over the familiar route of a batting average.

There is, for one illustration, the rate of those who have gathered into their net 200 or more base hits in a single year.

Barling 300 is one thing. Driving out 200 or more hits in a season is something else, plus.

We may have slipped a cog in the enumeration, but of the 100 players listed on various payrolls or connected with the present status of play

we can find the names of only eight earnest athletes who have gotten their 300 hits between April and October.

And of these eight only five have turned the trick offener than once.

THE BIGGEST ROLL OF SWAT

This makes up an honor roll of Swat. Here they are in order, showing

the number of occasions each player has passed the mark:

Cobb—6 times—11 years.

Lajoie—5 times—10 years.

Jackson—3 times—6 years.

Spencer—2 times—9 years.

Wagner—2 times—13 years.

Zimmerman—1 time—7 years.

Baker—1 time—8 years.

Crawford—1 time—17 years.

Now, when a slasher of the Crawford type can pound out 200 or more hits but one time in 17 years, or when a hotting eye of the Wagnerian persuasion

can turn the trick but twice in 13 years, the difficulties ahead can be well appreciated.

CORB AND JACKSON LEAD

The two most remarkable entries in the list are Cobb and Jackson. Cobb from 11 campaigns, has passed the 200

hit mark no less than six times, while Jackson has slipped by this giddy total three years out of six.

Cobb has gotten his 200 hits as often as Wagner, Speaker, Baker and Crawford put together, and even the year where he was forced into second place

found him with 201 safe blows to his credit.

AMERICAN LEAGUE SLUGGERS

Of the eight players who have gathered in their harvest of the 200 hits, six are from the American league and only two from the National.

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PORTSMOUTH CAN DO

Portsmouth has raised, in the three days allotted, the ten thousand dollars necessary to put the Bureau of Community Service in operation for a year, and the work of raising a still greater sum to broaden its usefulness is going bravely on.

It was quick work grandly done. As is usual with all big undertakings there were those who doubted it could be done at all, but the most enthusiastic corps of unselfish workers the city ever saw gathered together didn't see it that way at all. In the busiest and most exacting season of the year they forsook their own personal affairs and with earnest enthusiasm and determination set out to do the immense work in scant time.

That they succeeded is a splendid credit to themselves as well as to a fine citizenship that responded so readily and generously to their solicitation. We wish we could find sufficient words in which to applaud them for their splendid service, though that really isn't necessary for they have the finer tribute within themselves, that they have given of the best that was in them to the benefit of the community and their less fortunate fellowmen.

Where all have been so singularly sacrificing and effective, it, ordinarily, would not be in good taste to select one for special mention but we are sure there will be no criticism, no feeling of slight on the part of anyone, who had share in the grand work, when we say that without the indomitable energy and intensity of President Warwick Anderson, of the campaign committee, success would not have been so certainly attained. He was on the job all the time, he never tired and he never gave up. What that meant when all were going the seeming limit of exertion is better understood than told, and the finest thing of all is that none will begrudge any measure of credit given him.

THE LAW OF THE CASE

At the request of The Times one of the ablest lawyers of the city has condensed the statutes, applying to the building of a new courthouse, where there has to be a bond issue. The condensation is herewith given and attention is specially directed to the fact, that all matters, concerning the creation of the courthouse shall lie with a non-partisan commission, acting in conjunction with the commissioners and every possible safeguard is provided against graft, favoritism and fraud, that the law can provide. We suggest every voter not only read the law carefully, but that he cut it out and keep it for future reference. It will come in handy to meet certain arguments against the building of a courthouse that he will be frequently confronted with.

1. The county commissioners should, by resolution, express a determination to erect the courthouse.

2. Then submit to the electors the question of issuing county bonds to pay for it.

3. If the electors determine to issue the bonds the county commissioners must, within thirty days, apply to the court of common pleas for the appointment of a building commission and the court must appoint four suitable and competent freehold electors of the county who shall, with the county commissioners, constitute the building commission. This commission shall be non-partisan and is empowered to determine all questions in connection with the building of the courthouse.

4. The four persons so appointed are paid for the time actually employed by them, but in the aggregate not to exceed 2½ percent of the cost of construction, and must take an oath of office and give bond for the faithful and honest discharge of their duties.

5. The building commission employs the architects, superintendent and other necessary employees and fixes their compensation and bonds. The plans and specifications must be filed with the county auditor and may not be altered unless the alteration is approved by the commission and the price to be paid agreed upon in writing between the contractor and the commission.

6. All resolutions of the commission, such as providing for the employment of architects, adoption of plans, award of contracts and the like must be in writing and the roll called when presented for vote. The votes of five members are required for adoption and a record of each vote must be kept. All warrants for the payment of bills must be signed by at least five members of the commission.

Don't feel slighted if none of the solicitation committees called on you. They tried to, but there is a limit to human accomplishment. It was impossible to see everybody in the time allotted. The Bureau of Community Service will be more than glad to have your aid, which you may either offer by letter or telephone. The telephone numbers are 195 and 193 and, if you should desire to know what the campaign committee voted you at that fact will be communicated to you with all the speed. Just remember the bureau needs more than the bare ten thousand dollars, which is the minimum, not the maximum of its requirements. Every dollar above that sum now is just as good in effect as two up to it.

Can't realize it, only eight more days until Christmas and only six buying ones.

Wisconsin brewers have decided to take the kick out of beer. But that will not satisfy, it is to be supposed, those who want to kick beer out.

A "SKEERY" BEAST



ON ENTHUSIASM

One of our friends hands us a little editorial on "Enthusiasm" which he found in an exchange and which appealed to him as we are sure it will to you. The editorial follows:

"Give me the man who is enthusiastic. The man who fairly bubbles over with all-absorbing interest in what he is doing. If I play with him he will not bore me. If I do business with him he will not fool me.

"My brain will take new energy in keeping pace with his—the stimulus of his action will arouse the sluggish blood in my veins. He will be honest with me for true enthusiasm forces the virtues to the front and burns the evils to ashes of nothingness. I can depend on him for he knows not the meaning of procrastination and scorn shirking.

"He may make mistakes, bless him,—who doesn't? He's got the vim, and the punch, and the stuff life is made of and his mistakes are mistakes of aggression, not of hesitation. Keep your brilliant men, your learned material facts. Give me the enthusiastic man now and forever."

The old Cox organization down in Cincinnati is getting purely benevolent. It has hired lawyers to prevent innocent men from being indicted by the federal grand jury. For the guilty it has no concern, to be sure not, nit.

We have about concluded that the most worthy citizen is he who cleans the snow off his sidewalk clean, that is next to the donor to the Bureau of Community Service.

There is lacking evidence that the Republican state committee means to present our good young governor, very soon to be such no longer, with a recount as a Christmas present.

Begins to look like Santa Claus was expected in those parts soon, with the snow and the letters coming in for him.

We are not an overly impatient mortal, but it does strike us that there is more and longer talk about satisfactory progress in developing election frauds down at Cincinnati and elsewhere than there is prompt action. May be, though, this is a situation for making haste by going slowly.

England, as an answer to Germany's peace proposal, proposes to put a million more men in the field. Wonder if there is more sincerity in the one than the other.

As yet we are unable to see any signs of the white winged dove of peace settling down on her perch.

It is real winter, but at that Wall Street is mighty busy shearing the lambs, scarcely ever busier.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.

O-O-MEINTYRE.

New York, Dec. 16.—The Angel of the Night Court is no more. In the passing on of Mrs. Mary Goode, formerly a keeper of disreputable houses, New York paradoxically has lost one of the best friends of the wayward girls.

Death revealed her as the mysterious "Miss Bell" who for the past year has been rescuing fallen girls and starting them toward better lives. Mrs. Goode was prominent in the expose of police grafting following the Rosenthal murder.

The secret of her identity, long a baffling mystery, was also buried by her death. She was once prominent in upstate society and then she drifted out of the lives of her friends and became a resort keeper. No one seems to know why. She had money and position.

At any rate she reformed several weeks after the graft expose and went every night to court and gave her funds to girls who were arrested for walking the streets. She found jobs for them in offices and factories.

As Mary Goode she knew the women of the streets thoroughly. She had many of them in her illegal houses and when as Miss Bell she wished to guide them into better ways she knows how to appeal to them. Often she went hungry.

I once saw and talked to her during the Rosenthal trial. She was educated and bore unusual marks of refinement. In appearance she looked more like a devoted mother of middle age than a keeper of disorderly resorts. What ever sin there was in her life was washed away during the last years.

I herewith present a little exhibit painting with the aid of my friend the Linotype Man—who just loves my stuff. I boarded a Broadway surface yesterday and gave the conductor a nickel. He said in accents loud and clear: "Thank you, sir!" This is the expression that came over my face:

Grant Goings Quits Local Force

Policeman Grant Goings has resigned as a member of Maym Kaps police force. It is claimed that he will become a member of the police staff employed in the plant of the Whitaker-Glessner Company.

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POLLY AND HER PALS

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By CLIFF STERRETT



What Mistah Trouble Did

Ol' Mistah Trouble, he come aroun' one day
An' say, "I gwinter git you, so you better run away!"
I likes to see you hustle. Dat's do way I has my fun.
I knows I kin ketch up to you, no matter how you run!"

I says, "Mistah Trouble, you has been a-chasin' me
Ever since I kin remember, an' I as tired as I kin be.
So I as gwinter stop right yere, an' turn aroun' a-facin you,
An' lick you if I kin an' fin' out just what you kin do."

Ol' Mistah Trouble, he looked mighty ashamed;

He acted like a buckin' huss dat's suddenly been tamed;
An' don he turned an' traveled off, a-hollerin' "Good-day;
I aint got time to fool aroun' wif folks dat acts dat way."

—Washington Star.

A Step Mother

Daughter—"Mamma, what is a step mother?"

Mother—"Suppose I died and your father married another woman, that woman would be your stepmother."

The child paused for a moment and then exclaimed:
"Oh, I see, mamma! You step out and she steps in!"

The Formula Failed

Willie had disobeyed again, and his mother had sent for a switch, declaring that she meant to "wear him out."

"Now, Willie," she demanded solemnly, "do you know what I'm going to do with this switch?"

"Yes'm," he answered promptly. "You're going to shake it at me and say, 'Willie Parsons, if you ever do that again, I'll switch you good!'"

But she didn't.—Christian Herold.

A Cheerful Lady

Mrs. Ringen—"What a cheerful woman Mrs. Jolley is!"

Mrs. Harbo—"Isn't she? Why, do you know that woman can live a good time thinking what a good time she would have if she were having it!"

Natural Magic

"The amateur magician who entertained us did some wonderful tricks. He made a chicken turn rabbit right before our eyes."

"That's nothing. Any ordinary speeder can make an automobile turn turtle without half trying."

—Baltimore American.

Incompatibility

A young man named Older knew an old man named Younger. Old man Younger had a son younger than Older and another Younger older.

The older Younger liked the younger Older and the older Younger's elder was pleased.

But the younger Younger disliked the older Older simply because he was younger and the other was older.

Friction grew between the older Younger, the elder Younger and the younger Older through his dislike of the younger Younger and to this day the Olders and Youngers do not mingle.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

His Grief Not Deep

With a face that vainly endeavored to appear manly, and eyes that strove to produce a respectable flow of tears, Patrick Murphy O'Dolan entered a draper's shop.

"I want ye to tell me," he began, "phwat the custom is for th' wearin' iv meamin' the depth of it, I mane."

"Well," replied the assistant, "of course it varies. If it's a near relative a hand of black velvet on the sleeve or hat, and for a more distant friend a black tie is enough."

Murphy O'Dolan considered. "Give me a shoe lace," he said, at last. "It's me wife's inother."

—London Tit-Bits.

The Block System

He was traveling on a branch railroad in the north. After a series of sudden bumps and unexpected stops he became uneasy.

"Look here," he said to the porter, "is this train safe?"

"It sure am," said the porter. "Well, have they a block system on this road?"

"Block system, sah? We hab de greatest block system in de world. Ten miles back we were blocked by a load of hay, six miles back we were blocked by a mule, just now we were blocked by a cow, and I reckon when we get farther souf we'll be blocked by an alligator. 'Block system, huss? Well, Ah should suile."

There's a difference between being well informed and knowing it all.—Kansas City Journal.

\$10,000 MARK REACHED; AIM TO DO BIGGER WORK

The citizens of Portsmouth have responded so liberally and have shown such a willingness to support the work contemplated by the Bureau of Community Service, that the campaign committee have decided to set a new mark for their financial campaign. The ten thousand dollar fund has been reached. In fact, the exact amount reported Friday evening was \$11,411. The amount which the committee will now strive to reach is \$15,000.

W. W. Anderson, chairman of the campaign committee, stated Saturday morning that they felt that the scope of the work was so great and that the willingness of the people to support the movement made it possible to accomplish more during the first year should a larger sum be subscribed. If more money is raised by the committee to take care of the work, a larger amount of good can be accomplished.

The various squads will remain in the field soliciting subscriptions from those who have not been seen until the \$15,000 mark is reached. Beginning with the first of the year, the actual work on the permanent organization of the Bureau of Community Service will be started.

Contributions Are Rolling In For That 1917 Baby; The List

Have you decided on what you are going to give to the first 1917 baby or its proud parents?

If you have not, it is about time you are making up your mind. As soon as you decide what to present the parents or baby, telephone The Times or send in a written notice, stating what you will give.

A number of persons have already reported what they will give, but before January 26 when the presents will be taken to the home and presented to the baby and parents, close to one hundred names are expected to adorn "the present" list.

New contributors are Mrs. George Samson, 2935 Gallia street, who will give a crocheted baby cap.

Jake Pfau, Eleventh street baker, has come to the front with his usual big offer, that of giving a month's supply of Beechnut Butter Loaf bread to the family whose home is blessed with the first baby in 1917.

Charles King, Chillicothe street photographer, comes forward with the announce-

ment that he will give one dozen cabinet photos of the baby.

Other contributors and their gifts:

Times Publishing Company, \$20 gold piece for the baby.

Times Publishing Company, basket of flowers for the mother.

S. Rosenthal, Chillicothe street merchant, an infant's long coat.

Mrs. J. A. Cooper, 1823 Eighth street, box of home-made candy.

Miss Anna Pfeiffer, baby cap, baby sack, and pair of white shoes.

Portsmouth Candy Company, box of Schrafft's chocolates.

Portsmouth Vulcanizing Company, hand made Irish crocheted baby cap.

Virgil Fowler, No. 2 Brownie camera.

J. W. Carroll, wall paper for one room.

Bennett and Babcock, pair of eye glasses for mother.

W. T. Bauer, 1 dozen 25 cent gas mantles.

Mrs. Jessie Barber, two beautiful night gowns for baby.

NAGEL HOME IS VISITED BY FIRE

Fire in the home of George Nagel, a barber, 2215 Eighth street, early Saturday morning entailed considerable damage.

The pantry, kitchen and attic were partially destroyed by fire and the household furniture was badly damaged.

The fire started in the pantry where Mr. Nagel had been trying to thaw a frozen water pipe. The East End and Seventh street companies responded and the firemen had to fight a stubborn blaze.

No insurance was carried by Mr. Nagel, who has not yet placed an estimate upon his losses.

The Hazlebeck company will insure you. 819 Gallia St. adv

Geeks Give 35 Pairs Of Shoes To "Kiddies"

Thirty-five pairs of shoes have been distributed among worthy poor children of the city this week by the Geeks, according to a report made at the regular meeting of this organization Friday night.

It was decided to arrange for a social session for ladies some time in January. Several new members were admitted at the meeting after which a social session was enjoyed. The musical program included very pleasing selections by Roy Parks, of the Columbia theatre, and Walter Davison and the other members of the Lyric theatre orchestra.

TO HAVE "WATCH NIGHT" SERVICE

The Central Presbyterian church have planned a "Watch Night" service for Sunday evening, December 31. The program will cover a period of three hours from 8.30 to 11.30 and will be interesting throughout. A Christmas program of interest will be given on Sunday evening, December 21.

EXPLOSION WRECKS AN OIL PLANT

Wood River, Ill., Dec. 16.—Two men were killed and several others were injured in an explosion that wrecked two refining stations of the Standard Oil company here early today. The explosion was followed by a fire which for a time threatened ten large tanks filled with oil. The shock was felt for 15 miles.

Sober and competent workmen with Brehmer, the Painter. 1-17

BAN ON CAKES AND CANDIES

Rome, Dec. 16. (Via Paris)—A decree has been issued forbidding for two weeks the manufacture of candies or cake or their transmission by the post or railroad.

The decree further forbids hotels to serve meals containing more than one meat course. The decree will prevent the sending of a enormous number of Christmas delicacies intended for the soldiers at the front.

She Circumnavigated the Idea. It was the first day of her first term of school, and the new teacher called to the class and asked a huge girl to get of Columbus voyage.

"Well," said the girl, "Columbus started out and called around a dot."

"What?" said the astonished teacher. "He sailed around a dot," repeated the girl. Pressed for her authority, she pointed triumphantly to the place in the book, and the teacher read, "About this period Columbus sailed."—Chicago Herald.

"How fortunate I was not born a tree," said the dramatist.

"Whatever you were born," replied the oak under which he stood, "you are sure to dialogue."

Discrediting an Astrologer. A certain king, says a tale from the Persian, asked an astrologer, "How many years of life remain to me?" The wise man replied, "Ten." The king became very despondent and brooded himself, as one stricken with a sick ness, to his bed. His vizier, who possessed great wisdom, sent for the king and in the king's presence asked him, "How many years have you to live?" He replied, "Twenty." The vizier ordered that he should that very hour be executed in the king's presence. The king was satisfied and commended the sagacity of his minister and no longer attached any importance to the astrologer's saying.

Our First Chimney. Philadelphia claims the credit of having had the first chimney of bells in the United States. They were brought over in the Myrtilla by Captain Budden and were purchased, it is said, in London at a cost of \$2,800. The bells weighed 8,000 pounds all told, the largest bell weighing 2,000 pounds. They were hung in Christ church.

War Veteran Is Cared For

Oscar Wood was the name given by a Civil War veteran claiming Lucasville as his home who applied for lodging at the city battle Friday evening. Discovering that he had a comrade for a guest Joe Stokley extended all of the courtesies of his hotel to him.

YOU CAN SEND MONEY TO EUROPE

Official notice of the establishment of service whereby money for points in Germany and Austria-Hungary can be handled during the present holiday period was received from general headquarters by Duncan McLaughlin, local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co., Friday.

Mr. McLaughlin speaking of the new arrangement said that the Western Union Company was now busy making deliveries of money by wire. While they are attended occasionally with delays the service in a general way is very good.

RENT MONEY IS LOST BY WOMAN

Mrs. Floyd Herbert, 817 Ninth street, had the misfortune yesterday to lose her purse containing about ten dollars; every cent she had in the world. The purse, which was inside of a small handbag, was lost in the Woolworth store. Mrs. Herbert was on her way to pay her rent. Anyone finding the money will confer a great favor by returning the money to Mrs. Herbert at the above address.

CAR JUMPED TRACKS

Persons on their way to work early Saturday morning were more or less inconvenienced through the street car schedule becoming disarranged.

A street car jumping the track at the lower, or West End loop, was responsible. The car went astride the track so that until it could be re-railed, which was accomplished forty minutes after the accident, it was necessary to turn the other cars at Third and Chillicothe streets.

WIFE ASKS DIVORCE

Ten years a habitual drunkard, is one of the allegations which Malinda McGill set out in her petition for a divorce from Charles McGill. She further says that she was compelled to do farm work at times to support herself. She married the defendant April 24, 1894, the petition avers.

A divorce, alimony and custody of the three children are asked. Attorney W. R. Sprague represents the plaintiff.

Reduction In Seat Prices

Chicago, Dec. 16.—American League Club owners started home today after completing the business of the annual meeting at a session which lasted until midnight last night.

Among the subjects disposed of at the meeting was the reduction in the price of seats to world's series games. A rule was passed stating that seats for the series in the American League parks should be double the price for the same seats during the regular base ball season. The new scale for the world's series ranges from 50 cents for bleacher seats, to \$1.50 for the grand stand. An exception was made in the case of box seats, where a price of \$5 was fixed.

The Artist and His Work. The great artists, like the great heroes, have always done whatever came to hand.

Michelangelo grumbled and said he was a sculptor when Julius II. set him to paint, but he painted the roof of the Sistine chapel. Shakespeare chafed at the popularity of the fool in the drama of his time and then produced the fool in "Lear."

If either of them had waited for perfect conditions and an inspiration untrammelled by circumstances he would have done nothing. They produced masterpieces because they made the best of things as they were. And this is the business of the artist in life.—London Times.

FIVE ABOVE THIS MORNING

Portsmouth shivered through the coldest morning of the winter today, the mercury dropping down to five above zero, according to Weather Observer Dr. Harry Schirrmann.

The cold wave was not accompanied by a biting, bone-chilling wind and to many the morning was but little colder than Thursday and Friday when the mercury registered nine above.

At Lucasville two above was reported, Friendship reported one above and Wheelersburg kicked in with three above.

TWO HURT AS CARS CRASH

In a collision between two cars of the Ohio Valley Electric Company near Cliffside Park above Ashland, Ky., last night at 7 o'clock, Evan Morgan, a well known brick contractor of Ironton, was injured, but not seriously. H. M. Morris, motorman on one of the cars, and whose home is in Huntington, was also injured.

The car on which Mr. Morgan was a passenger, and which was well filled, was following another car. The trolley on the car ahead evidently came off, shutting off its lights and the rear car, going at a lively rate of speed, crashed into it.

NO HEADS AND NO TAILS SOLD

Wanted—500 families to eat one meal with Joseph's best baked and steak fresh fish at 17c, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Open every night. Phone your order the night before. Phone No. 914-L. Corner 10th and Lincoln.

SAYS COAL IS TOO HIGH FOR PROFIT

Although he himself is engaged in the coal business, John Capehart said Friday that he earnestly hoped for an early return to warm weather and the end of the world's war. While declaring that the fact that he receives his coal supply by river enabled him to sell cheaper than some coal dealers he regarded the prices entirely too high and that he himself was not realizing any profit.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Ida May Stimson The remains of Mrs. Ida May Stimson, who died in Los Angeles, Cal., arrived Friday night and were removed to the home of her mother, Mrs. Isabel Powers, of 1614 Seventh street. The funeral services will be conducted from the home by Rev. M. S. Bush, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Stimson's aunt, Mrs. Emma Powers, accompanied the body to this city.

John J. Burke

John J. Burke, aged 70, for years a leading citizen of Ironton, died at his home in that city Friday after an extended illness.

Red Men Help Orphans

Seneca Tribe of Red Men Friday night raised a snug sum of money for the Christmas collection for the orphans.

Checks are mailed annually during the holidays to the children of departed members of the order. There are eight such children to be benefited in Seneca county while in the entire state the number is 200.

The tribe also accepted the invitation of the Daughters of Debutantes to attend their Christmas tree celebration on New Year's day.

First Ice In Ohio

Light ice made its appearance in the Ohio river Saturday morning for the first time this winter.

Several nights of zero weather would result in real ice trouble in the stream. The steamer Grenland was late in leaving Cincinnati and is not expected before 5 p. m. Sunday enroute to Charleston. The steamer Courier is advertised to leave here Monday morning at 5 o'clock for Cincinnati.

Professor Dies While Teaching A Class

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 16.—Hugo Münsterberg, professor of psychology, of Harvard university, died suddenly today while lecturing before a class at Ratt College.

"You know I told you not to take anything from that young man. Ella I really don't, ma. I have returned everything he gave me, even his kisses."—Baltimore American.

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SAYS HUSBAND PULLED HER HAIR; IS SEEKING DIVORCE FROM HIM

Married just two months after the famous flood of 1884, Alice Schuler is now seeking alimony from her husband, Lewis Schuler, a well known farmer of Harrison township.

The petition avers that the couple were married April 24, 1884. To this union the following children were born: Elizabeth James, 32; Bertha Scott, 30; Edward Schuler, 28; Dossie Rainbo, 26; Roy Schuler, 24; Charles Schuler, 22; Gladys Schuler, 20; Warren Schuler, 18 and Helen Schuler, 12.

At different times, the plaintiff alleges, the defendant has pulled her hair and cursed and abused her. She asks that she be decreed 284.89 acres of land located in Harrison township as alimony and that a permanent injunction be awarded her restraining the defendant from abusing her and from disposing of his property.

Custody of the minor children is asked. Blair and Kimble represent the plaintiff.

An Appeal Filed

An appeal in the case of W. J. Mahone against Anna and A. G. Ball, suit for money was filed in common pleas court Saturday by Attorney A. C. Schapiro, representing the plaintiff. The suit which was for \$85.88, was heard before Squire John W. Byron recently and judgment was given to the defendant.

Buckarest, the capital of Roumania, has a population of 400,000 and is said to be the gayest city in the world. The Roumanians are a Latin race, and Buckarest is a deliberate imitation of Paris.

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Money-Making Ways of Using Want Ads

No. 8—Improving Your Working-Force Efficiency Through Want Ads

Mr. Employer, your whole problem of efficiency in your office, store or factory lies in getting the right help.

If you could secure your entire force with the same standard of merit that two or three of your best employees have, you would make more money.

You have perhaps run a Want Ad now and then—have filled up your number, and have stopped using the Want Ad.

Why not keep your Want Ads running continuously? Out of the many who apply, you will certainly secure a few who are good.

Let some of your inefficient help go—and keep up this process until you have the highest possible working standard.

An idea of a running Want Ad will be found in the following:

CHANGE YOUR WANT AD FRE-

WANTED—YOUNG MEN BETWEEN 16 and 25 years of age, to work in office. Former experience not necessary, but applicant must be bright, willing to work, and ambitious to advance. Advise of advancement in the office. For further particulars, call on the office between 9 and 10 a. m. Tuesday.

Whether you sell, or make, is good or bad is as good as the worth of your workmen and other help.

Out of every fifty persons employed, as the "average" of efficiency runs, about ten are either in the first, second or third of half efficient; another ten are likely just "passable"; no matter what kind of help you want, follow this idea. Do not keep the same Want Ad running. Want it differently, and embody the ideas that prove best.

Set aside a certain hour to interview applicants, and turn this work over to your most competent man.

Used in this way,

The Want Ad is the Safest Efficiency Expert